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## GENERAL PROVISIONS

### **NRS 284.010 states, “Legislative declaration of purpose.**

1. The legislature declares that the purpose of this chapter is:
  - (a) To provide all citizens a fair and equal opportunity for public service;
  - (b) To establish conditions of service which will attract officers and employees of character and ability;
  - (c) To establish uniform job and salary classifications; and
  - (d) To increase the efficiency and economy of the agencies in the executive department of the state government by the improvement of methods of personnel administration.
2. The legislature declares that, in its considered judgment, the proper administration of the executive department of our state government requires the enactment of this chapter.”

### **NRS 284.013 states in part, “Applicability; terms and conditions of employment of exempted persons; written contracts required for certain services.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, this chapter does not apply to:
  - (a) Agencies, bureaus, commissions, officers or personnel in the legislative department or the judicial department of state government, including the commission on judicial discipline;
  - (b) Any person who is employed by a board, commission, committee or council created in chapters 590, 623 to 625A, inclusive, 628, 630 to 644, inclusive, 648, 652, 654 and 656 of NRS; or
  - (c) Officers or employees of any agency of the executive department of the state government who are exempted by specific statute.”

**NRS 284.022 states, “Inclusion of employees of certain governmental agencies in state personnel system.** The department may include within the personnel system all employees of any governmental agency acquired for administration by the state.”

**NAC 284.010 Definitions. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC 284.022 to 284.112, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

(Supplied in codification; A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 4-19-88; 8-1-91; 7-6-92; 3-23-94; 10-27-97; R031-98, 4-17-98; R043-99, 9-27-99; R197-99, 1-26-2000; R058-01, 9-6-2001; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.022 “Appointing authority” defined.** “Appointing authority” means an official, board, or commission having the legal authority to make appointments to positions in the state service, or a person to whom the authority has been delegated by the official, board, or commission.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 3, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.023 “Appointment” defined.** “Appointment” means the acceptance by an applicant of an offer of employment by an appointing authority and their mutual agreement as to a date of hire.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.025 “Base rate of pay” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Base rate of pay” means the dollar value of an employee’s grade and step.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.026 “Break in service” defined.** “Break in service” means any separation from state service except for those separations listed in NAC 284.598.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 4, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.028 “Center for assessment” defined.** “Center for assessment” means a method of examination based upon an assessment and rating process which uses a series of oral, written, and performance exercises.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 11-12-93)

**NAC 284.030 “Class” defined.** “Class” means a group of positions sufficiently similar with respect to their duties and responsibilities that the same title may be reasonably and fairly used to designate each position allocated to the class, substantially the same tests of fitness may be used, substantially the same minimum qualifications may be required and the same schedule of compensation may be applied with equity.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 5, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.034 “Class series” defined.** “Class series” means the normal line of progression from training, entry, or preparatory levels to supervisory or administrative levels within a job specialty so that the minimum qualifications, tests of fitness and the duties and responsibilities of each class are similar but different in level.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 6, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.036 “Class specification” defined.** “Class specification” means a written description of a class, consisting of a title, a definition, examples of duties, and the minimum qualifications which are required.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 7, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.038 “Classification” defined.** “Classification” means the systematic process of analytically grouping and allocating positions to classes based on the similarity of actual duties and responsibilities.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 8, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.042 “Classification plan” defined.** “Classification plan” means a listing of all the classes which have been established, the class specifications, and the grade to which each is assigned.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 9, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NRS 284.150 states in part, “Classified service: Composition;...”**

1. The classified service of the State of Nevada is comprised of all positions in the public service now existing or hereafter created which are not included in the unclassified service, and which provide services for any office, department, board, commission, bureau, agency or institution in the executive department of the state government operating by authority of the constitution or law and supported in whole or in part by any public money, whether the money is received from the Government of the United States or any branch or agency thereof, or from private or any other sources.

**NAC 284.050 “Commission” defined.** “Commission” means the personnel commission.

(Supplied in codification; A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.051 “Committee” defined.** “Committee” means the employee-management committee.

(Supplied in codification)

**NAC 284.0525 “Continuous service” defined.** “Continuous service” means service which is not broken by a separation except for those separations listed in NAC 284.598.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.053 “Date of hire” defined.** “Date of hire” means the date an employee begins or, after a break in service, resumes his paid employment with the state.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.0533 “Dating relationship” defined. (NRS 284.155)** “Dating relationship” means a relationship between a supervisor and an employee who is in the direct line of authority of the supervisor that involves or may reasonably lead to a consensual amorous or sexual relationship.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R058-01, eff. 9-6-2001)

**NAC 284.0535 “Day” defined.** “Day” means a calendar day.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.054 “Demotion” defined.** “Demotion” means any movement of an employee to a class having a lower grade than the class previously held.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 11, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.055 “Department” defined.** “Department” means:

1. An agency in the executive branch of state government which is designated as a department by statute;
2. The University and Community College System of Nevada; and
3. Any state board or commission which employs classified workers.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.056 “Director” defined.** “Director” means the director of the department of personnel.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)—  
(Substituted in revision for NAC 284.014)

**NAC 284.058 “Eligible person” defined.** “Eligible person” means any person who applies, is eligible, competes, and successfully passes all phases of an examination and is placed on an appropriate eligible list.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 12, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.062 “Employee” defined.** “Employee” means a person legally holding a position in the public service as defined in NRS 284.015.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 13, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.063 “Entry level” defined.** “Entry level” means the lowest class within a class series. Where a trainee level exists the term includes both the trainee and next higher level.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: NRS 284.148 “Unclassified and classified service: Persons exempt pursuant to Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938; determination of exempt positions by department.”** may be found preceding NAC 284.242.

**NAC 284.0637 “Exempt classified employee” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Exempt classified employee” means an employee in the classified service described in subsection 2 of NRS 284.148.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A by R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.0638 “Exempt unclassified employee” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Exempt unclassified employee” means an employee in the unclassified service described in subsection 1 of NRS 284.148.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A by R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.0639 “Full-time employee” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Full-time employee” means an employee whose work schedule is 100 percent of the full-time equivalent established for the employee’s pay class designation.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.064 “Full-time employment” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Full-time employment” means a work schedule that is 100 percent of the full-time equivalent established for the pay class designation.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 9-13-91; R147-01, 1-22-2002)



**NAC 284.065 “Full-time equivalency” and “full-time equivalent” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Full-time equivalency” or “full-time equivalent” means:

1. For a nonexempt employee, the number of hours authorized by the department of personnel for the nonexempt employee’s position, divided by the number of base hours established for the position’s pay class designation.
2. For an exempt classified employee or an exempt unclassified employee, the number of days authorized by the department of personnel for the employee’s position, divided by the number of base days established for the position’s pay class designation.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.066 “Grade” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Grade” means the number assigned by the department of personnel to identify the range of pay for a class.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 15, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.0663 “Holiday” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Holiday” means a day that is designated to be a legal holiday pursuant to NRS 236.015.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.0665 “Individual classification study” defined. (NRS 284.155)** “Individual classification study” means a classification study initiated by an employee of this state, an agency of this state or the department of personnel which is based upon a new position or a significant change that has occurred in an existing position.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-27-97)

**NAC 284.067 “Innovative work week” defined.** “Innovative work week” means a work schedule that differs from a standard or nonstandard work week.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.068 “Insurer” defined. (NRS 284.155)** “Insurer” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 616A.270.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R197-99, eff. 1-26-2000)

**NAC 284.069 “Journey level” defined.** “Journey level” means the level of performance within an occupational specialty that requires independent action, analysis, and interpretation.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.070 “Nonclassified employee” defined. (NRS 284.155)** “Nonclassified employee” means an employee in the office of the governor or the judicial or legislative branch of state government.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 17, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel by R098-99, 9-27-99)

**NAC 284.071 “Nonexempt employee” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Nonexempt employee” means an employee who is not subject to the provisions of NRS 284.148.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.072 “Nonstandard work week” defined.** “Nonstandard work week” means a work schedule of five shifts with the same number of hours each day and a maximum of 40 hours per week throughout the year. The work schedule is other than Monday through Friday.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.0725 “Normal rate of pay” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Normal rate of pay” means the dollar value of an employee’s base rate of pay plus any adjustment that has been made pursuant to the provisions of NAC 284.206.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.073 “Occupational study” defined. (NRS 284.155)** “Occupational study” means a classification study of a group of positions in related classes and class series which is initiated by the department of personnel and subsequently approved by the commission.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-27-97)

**NAC 284.0742 “Paid status” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Paid status” means the time that an employee is:

1. Working;
2. On leave with pay, except catastrophic leave; or
3. On a leave of absence due to a fiscal emergency declared pursuant to NAC 284.580.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.0745 “Part-time employee” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Part-time employee” means an employee whose work schedule is less than 100 percent of the full-time equivalent established for the employee’s pay class designation.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.0746 “Part-time employment” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Part-time employment” means a work schedule that is less than 100 percent of the full-time equivalent established for an employee’s pay class designation.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.0748 “Pay class designation” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Pay class designation” means the designation set by the department of personnel for a group of employees whose pay is calculated in a similar manner, including, without limitation, the maximum number of full-time equivalent hours in a biweekly or semimonthly pay period, the method of reporting hours worked and whether pay is calculated on the basis of hours worked or an annual salary.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.075 “Pay progression date” defined. (NRS 284.155)** Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, “pay progression date” means the date on which an employee completes 1 year of employment equivalent to full-time service following his appointment to his current grade.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R043-99, eff. 9-27-99)

**NAC 284.076 “Permanent employee” defined.** “Permanent employee” means an employee who has successfully completed the probationary period for any class he has held during continuous classified service. The term does not include a person serving a new probationary period as required by subsection 6 of NAC 284.630 or subsection 2 of NAC 284.6018.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 8-1-91; A 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.078 “Permanent status” defined.** “Permanent status” means the standing an employee achieves in a class when:

1. He has successfully completed the probationary period for the class; or
2. His appointment does not require a new probationary period and he does not hold another type of status of appointment for the class.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 20, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.086 “Position” defined.** “Position” means a group of duties and responsibilities that have been assigned to a single job.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 21, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.087 “Positive reporting employee” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Positive reporting employee” means an employee who is required to record on a time sheet all hours that he is in paid status.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.088 “Promotion” defined.** “Promotion,” except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.462, means an advancement to a position in a class which has a higher grade than the class previously held.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.090 “Promotional appointee” defined.** “Promotional appointee” means any employee who has remained continuously employed in the state service but has not yet completed the probationary period which is designated for the class to which he has been promoted.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 23, eff. 4-14-76]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.0915 “Rating of performance” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.335)** “Rating of performance” means the overall rating of an employee’s performance efficiency, character and conduct which is included in the report on performance of an employee.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R031-98, eff. 4-17-98)

**NAC 284.092 “Reallocation” defined.** “Reallocation” means the assignment of a class to a higher grade or a lower grade.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.093 “Reappointment” defined.** “Reappointment” means a noncompetitive appointment of an employee to a class he formerly held or to a comparable class.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-1-91)

**NAC 284.094 “Reclassification” defined.** “Reclassification” means a reassignment or change in allocation of a position by:

1. Raising it to a class with a higher grade;

2. Reducing it to a class with a lower grade; or
3. Moving it to another class at the same grade on the basis of significant changes in kind, difficulty, or responsibility of the work performed.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 23, eff. 8-11-73; renumbered as subsec. 24, 4-14-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.095 “Reemployment” defined.** “Reemployment” means a noncompetitive appointment of a current or former employee to a class for which he has reemployment rights, as provided in this chapter, because of military service, layoff, a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work, seasonal separation, reallocation, or reclassification of his position to a lower grade.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.0955 “Rehire” defined.** “Rehire” means any appointment to the classified service following a separation from the classified service.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 4-19-88)

**NAC 284.096 “Reinstatement” defined.** “Reinstatement” means a noncompetitive appointment of a former permanent employee to a class he formerly held or to a comparable class.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-1-91)

**NAC 284.100 “Standard work week” defined.** “Standard work week” means a work schedule of five shifts with the same number of hours each day and a maximum of 40 hours per week throughout the year. The work schedule is Monday through Friday.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.102 “Step” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** “Step” means the number assigned by the department of personnel to identify a specific rate of pay within a grade.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 25, eff. 8-11-73; renumbered as subsec. 27, 4-14-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; R197-99, 1-26-2000; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.106 “Transfer” defined.** “Transfer” means:

1. A noncompetitive appointment in which an employee moves from one position to another position in the same class or a related class with the same grade; or
2. A competitive appointment in which an employee moves from one position to a position in a different class with the same grade.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 26, eff. 8-11-73; renumbered as subsec. 28, 4-14-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.108 “Trial period” defined.** “Trial period” means the 6-month or 1-year probationary period served by a permanent employee who has been promoted to a vacant position.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-1-91; 12-26-91)

**NRS 284.140 states, “Unclassified service: Composition.** The unclassified service of the state consists of the following state officers or employees in the executive department of the state government who receive annual salaries for their services:

1. Members of boards and commissions, and heads of departments, agencies and institutions required by law to be appointed.
2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 223.085, 223.570 and 223.600, all persons required by law to be appointed by the governor or heads of departments or agencies appointed by the governor or by boards.
3. All employees other than clerical in the office of the attorney general and the state public defender required by law to be appointed by the attorney general or the state public defender.
4. Except as otherwise provided by the board of regents of the University of Nevada pursuant to NRS 396.251, officers and members of the teaching staff and the staffs of the agricultural extension department and experiment station of the University and Community College System of Nevada, or any other state institution of learning, and student employees of these institutions. Custodial, clerical or maintenance employees of these institutions are in the classified service. The board of regents of the University of Nevada shall assist the director in carrying out the provisions of this chapter applicable to the University and Community College System of Nevada.
5. All other officers and employees authorized by law to be employed in the unclassified service.”

**NAC 284.110 “Underfill” defined.** “Underfill” means the filling of a position with an employee holding a position in a lower classification, except for those situations where employees are in classifications which are training or intermediate levels preparatory to promotion to the journeyman level class.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § D subsec. 30, eff. 4-14-76]

**NAC 284.112 “Working day” defined.** “Working day,” for the purpose of a grievance or an appeal, means Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding holidays.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.113 “Working day” interpreted. (NRS 284.155)** As used in NRS 284.350 and 284.355, the director will interpret “working day” to mean a period of work consisting of 8 hours.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R031-98, eff. 4-17-98; A by Personnel Comm’n by R065-98, 7-24-98)

**NAC 284.114 Affirmative action program and equal employment opportunity. (NRS 284.155)**

1. The department of personnel is responsible for establishing, coordinating and evaluating an affirmative action program for this state.
2. The department of personnel will cooperate and consult with agencies to:
  - (a) Identify barriers in the personnel management system which may adversely affect the ability of applicants and employees to reach their full employment potential without regard to race, sex, sexual orientation, religion, color, national origin, age or disability.
  - (b) Coordinate programs to remove barriers to equal employment opportunity while ensuring the effectiveness of the merit system and the opportunity for persons to enter the system and progress in it to the extent of their merit.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § C, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-6-92; R098-99, 9-27-99)

**NRS 284.012 states, “Policy concerning employment of persons with disabilities.** Subject to other applicable provisions of this chapter, it is the policy of this state that persons with disabilities must be afforded equal opportunities in employment by the state, by its political subdivisions and in all other employment supported in whole or in part by the state.”

**NRS 233B.070 states in part, “...agencies to furnish public with copies.**

6. Each agency shall furnish a copy of all or part of that part of the Nevada Administrative Code which contains its regulations, to any person who requests a copy, and may charge a reasonable fee for the copy based on the cost of reproduction if it does not have money appropriated or authorized for that purpose.”

**NRS 284.130 states, “Assistance of state and local officers.** The director may request officers and employees in the executive department of the state government or local officers or employees to aid in carrying out the provisions of this chapter, and insofar as it may be consistent with their other duties, these officers and employees shall give such aid upon the director’s written request.”

**NAC 284.116 Computation of time.** In computing a period of time mentioned in this chapter, the day of the act or event from which the period begins is not counted and the last day is counted unless the last day is a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday. If the last day is a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the period ends on the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.120 Adoption by reference of federal law, regulations and manual regarding persons with disabilities. (NRS 284.155)**

1. For the purposes of determining the meaning of “essential functions of a position,” “person with a disability,” “qualified person with a disability” and “reasonable accommodation,” the department of personnel hereby adopts by reference and will refer to:
  - (a) The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-336).
  - (b) The provisions of 29 C.F.R. Part 1630.

(c) The *Technical Assistance Manual* for the Americans with Disabilities Act.

2. A copy of the materials adopted by reference pursuant to this section may be obtained at no charge from the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Publications Information Center, P.O. Box 12549, Cincinnati, Ohio 45212-0549, telephone (800) 669-3362 or TDD (800) 800-3302.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 7-6-92; A 10-27-97; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.122 Severability.** If any of the provisions of this chapter are held, for any reason, to be invalid, it is intended that the validity of the remaining provisions not be affected thereby.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVIII, eff. 8-11-73]

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## **CLASSIFICATION**

**NRS 284.160 states, “Classification plan for classified service; changes in plan; procedure for making certain changes without approval of commission.**

1. The director shall prepare, maintain and revise as necessary a classification plan for all positions in the classified service, based upon similarity of duties and responsibilities, so that the same qualifications may reasonably be required for, and the same schedule of pay may be equitably applied to, all positions in the same class.
2. The duty of the director to classify extends to all offices, employments and positions held by persons who may become members of the classified service under the provisions of this chapter.
3. The director may, after consultation with the head of a department or agency, make changes in the classification of positions whenever he deems it necessary for the efficiency of the public service.
4. The classification plan and changes therein are subject to approval by the commission, except that the director may make a change in the classification plan without the prior approval of the commission if:
  - (a) The director deems it necessary for the efficiency of the public service;
  - (b) The change is not proposed in conjunction with an occupational study; and
  - (c) The director, at least 20 working days before acting upon the proposed change:
    - (1) Provides written notice of the proposal to each member of the commission, to all departments and to any head of an employees’ organization who requests notice of such proposals; and
    - (2) Posts a written notice of the proposal in each of the principal offices of the department of personnel.

Any occupational study conducted by the department in connection with the preparation, maintenance or revision of the classification plan must be approved by the commission.

5. If no written objection to the proposed change to the classification plan is received by the director before the date it is scheduled to be acted upon, the director may effect the change. The director shall report to the commission any change in the classification plan made without its approval at the commission’s next succeeding regular meeting.
6. If a written objection is received before the date the proposed change is scheduled to be acted upon, the director shall place the matter on the agenda of the commission for consideration at its next succeeding regular meeting.”

**NRS 284.165 states in part, “Allocation of positions;...**

1. As soon as practicable and after consultation with appointing authorities and principal supervisory officials, the director shall allocate the position of every employee in the classified service to one of the positions in the position classification plan.”

**NRS 284.170 states, “Establishment of titles and grades for each class of employment; description of duties; specification of minimum qualifications.**

1. Titles and grades shall be established for each class of employment for use in examining and certifying the names of persons for appointment under this chapter; and a description of the duties and responsibilities exercised by the persons appointed to each of them shall be drawn up; and minimum qualifications shall be specified for satisfactory performance of the duties of each grade and class.
2. The titles and grades in the several classifications as defined by the specifications of duties and qualifications shall be used for original appointments, promotions, payrolls and all other records affecting the status of personnel.”

**NRS 284.171 states, “Index of broad occupational groups.** For the purposes of NRS 353.205 and 353.224, the director shall prepare and maintain an index which categorizes all positions in the classified service of the state into the following broad occupational groups:

1. Occupations in the fields of agriculture and conservation.
2. Clerical and related occupations.
3. Occupations relating to custodial and domestic services.
4. Occupations relating to library services.
5. Occupations in the field of education.
6. Engineering and allied occupations.
7. Occupations in fiscal management and related staff services.
8. Occupations relating to legal services.
9. Occupations in the mechanical and construction trades.
10. Occupations in the fields of medicine and health and related services.
11. Occupations in regulatory fields and in public safety.
12. Occupations in social services and rehabilitation.
13. Other occupations.”

**NRS 284.172 states, “List of positions in classified service primarily performing data processing; approval of new position or reclassification to position on list.**

1. The director shall prepare, maintain and revise as necessary a list of all positions in the classified service that consist primarily of performing data processing.
2. The request of an appointing authority that is required to use the equipment or services of the department of information technology for a new position or the reclassification of an existing position to a position included on the list required by subsection 1 must be submitted to the director of the department of information technology for approval before submission to the department of personnel.”

**NRS 353.224 states in part, “Approval of legislature or interim finance committee required for certain changes of positions.**

1. A state agency other than the University and Community College System of Nevada and vocational licensing boards may not change a position for which money has been appropriated or authorized from one occupational group to another, as defined by the index developed pursuant to NRS 284.171, without the approval of the legislature or of the interim finance committee.”

**NAC 284.126 Creation of new class, reclassification of position or reallocation of existing class. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. For the purposes of this section:
  - (a) “Agency personnel officer” means the director of personnel within the University and Community College System of Nevada or any person holding a position in the classified service with the title of personnel officer.
  - (b) “Significant change” means a change in the duties and responsibilities assigned to a position in a class that:
    - (1) Is outside of the scope of the class as described by the class specification;
    - (2) Is not part of the scope of responsibility of the position; and
    - (3) Results in the preponderance of duties and responsibilities being allocated to a different class.
2. If an appointing authority or an employee proposes the creation of a new class, a reclassification of a position to a different class or the reallocation of an existing class based upon a gradual accumulation of duties and responsibilities which results in a significant change and is intended to be permanent, the department of personnel or agency personnel officer must be notified on the appropriate form. If the creation, reclassification or reallocation is approved, the department of personnel will allocate the position to one of the existing classes in the classification plan or to a new, revised or reallocated class as appropriate. The effective date will be the date on which form NPD-19 is received by the department of personnel or agency personnel officer unless information concerning the qualifications of the incumbent or information which substantially affects the decision concerning the creation, reclassification or reallocation is received after this date. In that case, the effective date will be the date on which the appropriate information necessary to make the decision is received. If the form was prepared but delayed due to an administrative or clerical error, the effective date must be determined by the appointing authority and must be based upon the date on which the form should reasonably have been submitted to the department of personnel or agency personnel officer. In no case, however, may a retroactive adjustment because of an administrative or clerical error exceed 6 months after the date of receipt.
3. If an agency makes or anticipates making a significant change in the duties for a position or the agency anticipates a reorganization which will require the reclassification of an existing position, the reallocation of an existing class or the creation of a new class, it shall advise the budget division of the department of administration or, in the case of the University and Community College System of Nevada, the budget division of the applicable institution. The proposed change may not be required of an employee nor be submitted to the department of personnel until funding

for it is approved. If the change is approved by the department of personnel, the effective date will be determined by the budget division.

4. In effecting a reclassification pursuant to subsection 2 or 3, the appointing authority must review and take into consideration the organizational structure and the qualifications of the incumbent before assigning new duties to a position which are intended to be permanent. No position will be reclassified to a higher grade through the individual classification process if the incumbent does not meet the minimum qualifications for the higher level position. If an employee does not meet the minimum qualifications to reclassify his position, he is not eligible for promotion, but may be eligible for a special adjustment to his pay pursuant to NAC 284.206.
5. The establishment of a new class, or reallocation of a class or a class series based on an occupational study conducted by the department of personnel, becomes effective when the funding is provided by the legislature in the biennial operating budget for this state.
6. From the date that the department of personnel formally announces the beginning of an occupational study until the date that the occupational study is funded by the legislature:
  - (a) An existing position in the occupational study that has a significant change may only be reclassified to an existing class.
  - (b) An existing class in the occupational study must not be reallocated to a different grade.
  - (c) A new position may be allocated to an existing class or a new class as determined by the department of personnel.

[Personnel Div., Rule II § D subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-21-89; 8-14-90; 12-26-91; 11-16-95; 10-27-97; R098-99, 9-27-99; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.130 Investigations of classifications.** The department of personnel may investigate the classification of any existing position on the written request of an appointing authority or an employee or on its own initiative.

[Personnel Div., Rule II § E, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.132 Temporary classifications. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.325)**

1. An appointing authority, an employee or the department of personnel may request a temporary classification which allows the classification of a position for a temporary period of 1 year or less. Each appointment which is designated as temporary must have specific criteria established which justify the grade of the position and the projected date of expiration of the period. A position which no longer meets this criteria will revert back to the class from which it was reclassified. This method of classification is subject to the following conditions:
  - (a) Temporary classifications must meet the allocation standards and the criteria established for the class before this method may be used. The classification must be approved by the department of personnel before the appointment.
  - (b) An employee who is appointed to a temporary class must sign the payroll document. This signature acknowledges that the employee understands the conditions of the reclassification and its projected date of expiration.
2. If the employee meets the minimum qualifications for the temporary classification, he:
  - (a) Retains his status of appointment; and

- (b) Must complete the remaining portion of the probationary period currently being served, if any, based on the requirements of the new class.

An incumbent who has reverted to his previous class is entitled to the step, pay progression date and status of appointment he would have attained if he had not been appointed to the temporary class.

- 3. The pay progression date of an employee who is promoted pursuant to this section will be determined in accordance with the provisions of NAC 284.182. The rate of pay for the employee will be determined in accordance with the provisions of NAC 284.170 governing an employee's pay on promotion.
- 4. In case of a layoff, the temporarily assigned employee's class of layoff is his former class. The time served in the temporary class is counted for seniority purposes if it was in the same occupational group, as provided in NRS 284.171.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 10-27-97; R043-99 & R098-99, 9-27-99; R146-01, 1-18-2002; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.134 Individual reclassification of position to higher level: Status of incumbent. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

- 1. An incumbent who meets the minimum qualifications for an individual reclassification as provided in NAC 284.126 may be reclassified to a higher level. If the incumbent's position is reclassified as a result of an individual classification study, the incumbent will continue to serve in the position and he:
  - (a) Must be promoted;
  - (b) Retains his status of appointment; and
  - (c) Must complete the remaining portion of the probationary period currently being served, if any, based on the requirements of the new class.
- 2. The pay progression date of an employee who is reclassified pursuant to this section will be determined in accordance with the provisions of NAC 284.182. The rate of pay will be determined in accordance with the provisions of NAC 284.170 governing an employee's pay on promotion.

[Personnel Div., Rule II § F subsecs. 1 & 2, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 10-27-97; R043-99, 9-27-99; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.138 Reclassification or reallocation of class or position to higher grade as result of occupational study: Status of incumbent. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, if a class or a position within a class is reclassified or reallocated to a higher grade as a result of an occupational study, the incumbent will continue to serve in the position and he:
  - (a) Must be promoted;
  - (b) Retains his status of appointment;
  - (c) Retains his pay progression date; and
  - (d) Must complete the remaining portion of the probationary period currently being served, if any, based on the requirements of the new class.

2. The rate of pay for employees who are promoted will be determined in accordance with the provisions of NAC 284.170 governing an employee's pay on promotion.
3. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to an incumbent who is filling a position in a class which is at a lower grade than the authorized level of the position unless the class held by the incumbent is reclassified or reallocated to a higher grade.
4. If a position is reclassified to a higher grade in a different occupational group, the employee must meet the minimum qualifications of the higher level position before he is promoted. If the employee does not meet the minimum qualifications, he must not be promoted, the position will be temporarily reclassified pursuant to NAC 284.132 and the employee may be eligible for a special adjustment to his pay as provided in NAC 284.206. If the employee does not meet the minimum qualifications within 1 year after the effective date of the reclassification, the duties must be reassigned and the position must be reclassified accordingly.

[Personnel Div., Rule II § F subsec. 4, eff. 8-11-73; A 10-6-78]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-1-91; 12-26-91; 9-16-92; 10-27-97; R043-99, 9-27-99; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.140 Reclassification of class or position to lower grade: Status of incumbent. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. If a class or position is reclassified to a lower grade, the incumbent's title and grade must be changed to the new class. He will retain his status of appointment and pay progression date. The rate of pay will be determined by the provisions of NAC 284.290 governing an employee's pay on retained rates or, if the employee does not meet these requirements, by the provisions of NAC 284.170 governing an employee's pay on demotion.
2. The employee is eligible for reappointment to the same or a similar class from which he was reclassified.
3. The employee is entitled to reemployment rights to his former class and option in his department for 1 year after the date of notification of the reclassification to the lower grade if the employee and the agency provide the necessary information regarding the employee's seniority on the prescribed form.
4. If the employee is receiving a retained rate of pay and he declines the first opening which is offered to him for his previous class in his department and location, he forfeits his reemployment rights to the former class and must be immediately reclassified to the lower grade and the provisions of this chapter governing the pay of an employee on demotion apply.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A by R043-99, 9-27-99; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.150 Class specifications.**

1. Class specifications will define a class based on a sound, systematic occupational analysis and evaluation of the position and will contain elements sufficient to distinguish the various classes from one another. The use of a particular expression or illustration as to duties must not be interpreted to exclude others not mentioned but that are of similar kind and relevant to the class.
2. Any option within a class which is included in the class specification will be considered a separate class.
3. In determining the class to which any position will be allocated, the specification will be considered as a whole and in relation to others in the classification plan. The duties, responsibilities, qualifications, knowledge, and abilities required for a class will be considered in relation to those for other classes in determining the kinds of positions which a class may include.
4. The qualifications which are required for a particular class are the standards for the evaluation of applications for positions in that class. The department of personnel may, after consulting with appointing authorities, interpret these qualifications so that qualifications which are equivalent to those which are specified for the class may be accepted. The interpretation of qualifications which are considered equivalent must not circumvent the principles of selection on the basis of merit.
5. Qualifications which are required to perform the essential functions of a position, such as possession of a valid driver's license, may be required by the appointing authority if:
  - (a) So indicated for the position at the time of public notice or appointment; or
  - (b) Written notice of the required qualifications is given to the employee.

Any disagreement concerning the validity of the required qualifications may be submitted for adjustment pursuant to the procedure for the adjustment of grievances set forth in NAC 284.658 to 284.697, inclusive.

[Personnel Div., Rule II § H, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-1-91; 7-6-92; 7-1-94)

**NRS 284.165 states in part, "Allocation of positions;..."**

2. Any employee affected by the allocation of a position to a grade or class or by a change in classification, after filing with the director a written request for reconsideration thereof, must be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard thereon by the director.
3. Any employee who is aggrieved by the director's decision concerning an allocation or change in classification is entitled to have the decision reviewed by the commission if the employee submits a written request to the commission for such a review not later than 30 days after the director's decision."

**NAC 284.152 Appeal of allocation of position or change in classification. (NRS 284.155, 284.384)**

1. An employee affected by the allocation of a position to a grade or class or by a change in classification as a result of a study regarding classifications, or the agency where such actions have occurred, may, within 20 working days after the date of receipt of written notice of the action, file a written appeal of the action with the director. The appeal must:
  - (a) Address the points outlined in the department of personnel's recommendation regarding the proper classification for the position in question; and
  - (b) Indicate the points with which the appellant disagrees and express the reasons why he disagrees.
2. The director will issue a decision on the appeal within 20 working days after he receives the appeal unless:
  - (a) He is prohibited from doing so because of the number of appeals resulting from a study regarding classifications;
  - (b) There is an agreement with the appellant to extend the limitation of time for the issuance of the decision; or
  - (c) The director delegates the duty to decide the appeal to a designated representative pursuant to subsection 3.
3. The director may delegate the duty to decide the appeal to a designated representative if the director is unavailable or reasonably believes he has a conflict of interest. If the director makes such a delegation, the designated representative shall issue a decision on the appeal within 20 working days after the director received the appeal.
4. The appellant or the agency affected by the decision may appeal it to the commission within 30 days after receipt of written notice of the decision from the director.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 9-17-87; A 3-1-96; R031-98, 4-17-98)



## **COMPENSATION**

**NRS 284.175 states, “Plan for payment of classified employees: Regulations; factors for consideration.**

1. After consultation with appointing authorities and state fiscal officers, and after a public hearing and approval by the commission, the director shall prescribe regulations for a pay plan for all employees in the classified service.
2. The pay plan and its amendments become effective only after approval by the commission and the governor.
3. The director shall prepare a pay plan and ranges for each class, grade or group of positions in the classified service. Each employee must be paid at one of the rates set forth in the pay plan for the class of position in which he is employed and at such time as necessary money is made available for the payment.
4. The director shall prescribe regulations that provide for progression through the rate ranges based on merit and fitness alone. The regulations become effective upon the approval of the commission.
5. In making recommendations during regular legislative sessions concerning salaries for the classified service of the state, the director shall consider factors such as:
  - (a) Surveys of salaries of comparable jobs in government and private industry within the State of Nevada and western states, where appropriate;
  - (b) Changes in the cost of living;
  - (c) The rate of turnover and difficulty of recruitment for particular positions; and
  - (d) Maintaining an equitable relationship among classifications.”

**NRS 281.123 states, “Limitation on maximum salary payable to persons employed by state.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 or NRS 281.1233, or as authorized by statute referring specifically to that position, the salary of a person employed by the state or any agency of the state must not exceed 95 percent of the salary for the office of governor during the same period.
2. As used in subsection 1, the term “salary”:
  - (a) Includes any:
    - (1) Payment received by an employee for being available to work although he was not actually required to perform the work;
    - (2) Increase in salary provided to compensate for a rise in the cost of living;
    - (3) Payment received under a plan established to encourage continuity of service; and
    - (4) Payment received as compensation for purportedly performing additional duties.

(b) Excludes any:

- (1) Payment received as compensation for overtime even if that payment is otherwise authorized by law; and
- (2) Rent or utilities supplied to an employee if he is required by statute or regulation to live in a particular dwelling.

3. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to the salaries of:

- (a) Dentists and physicians employed full time by the state; or
- (b) Officers and employees of the University and Community College System of Nevada.”

**NRS 284.180 states in part, “Pay plan to set official rates applicable to all positions in classified service...”**

1. The legislature declares that since uniform salary and wage rates and classifications are necessary for an effective and efficient personnel system, the pay plan must set the official rates applicable to all positions in the classified service, but the establishment of the pay plan in no way limits the authority of the legislature relative to budgeted appropriations for salary and wage expenditures.”

**NAC 284.158 Range of pay based on full-time employment; semimonthly or biweekly payment; payment of part-time, intermittent, per diem and positive reporting employees. (NRS 284.175)**

1. A range of pay for a class must be based on full-time employment for the pay class designation.
2. Employees are paid on a semimonthly or biweekly basis depending on the schedule on which the employing agency pays employees in the class.
3. Payment for part-time employment is based on the direct proportion of hours that a part-time employee works to the hours of full-time employment for the employee’s pay class designation.
4. Payment of intermittent, per diem and positive reporting employees is based on the number of hours reported by each such employee.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § C, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-6-92; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.170 Initial rate of pay; effect of promotion, demotion, transfer, reappointment or reemployment; minimum step for continuous employee; rate of pay for nonclassified or unclassified employee appointed to classified position. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.204 regarding adjustment of steps within the same grade and NAC 284.206 regarding special adjustments to pay, the following provisions govern the grade and the step at which an employee must be paid at the time of employment:
  - (a) If the employment is an initial appointment, the employee’s base rate of pay must be set at step 1 of the grade of the position’s class.
  - (b) If the employment is a reinstatement to a position which is:
    - (1) At the same grade as that of the employee’s former position, he must be paid at or below the step which he held in his former position.

- (2) At a lower grade than the employee's former position, he must be paid at or below the step in the lower grade which most closely corresponds to the base rate of pay of his former position.
  - (3) A result of the reallocation of the entire class because of a reclassification or a general pay increase, he must be paid at or below the step in the new grade which most closely corresponds to the base rate of pay of his former grade.
- 2. The following provisions govern the rate of pay which must be paid if an employee is promoted:
  - (a) The employee must be placed at the lowest step in the higher grade that meets one of the following requirements:
    - (1) If the employee moves one or two grades above his former grade, he must be placed at the same step in the new grade as the step he held in his former grade.
    - (2) If the employee moves three or more grades above his former grade, the employee must be placed:
      - (I) At a step which is equivalent to an increase of two steps above the step he held in his former grade; or
      - (II) At the lowest step of the new grade,whichever pay is higher and in accordance with the provisions of subsection 8.
  - (b) A special adjustment to an employee's pay for performing supervisory duties which is granted in accordance with paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NAC 284.206 is the present level of pay for the purpose of calculating a promotional increase authorized by paragraph (a) only if the employee has received the special adjustment to his pay for more than 6 months of continuous full-time service.
  - (c) If an employee has been demoted, he may not receive a promotional increase in pay that is greater than the increase which he would have otherwise been entitled to receive had he not been demoted.
  - (d) This subsection does not apply when an employee is reemployed or reappointed to his former grade within 1 year after holding that grade.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NAC 284.618, an employee who is demoted must be paid at a step within the grade of the class to which he was demoted as follows:
  - (a) If the employee has attained permanent status in the class from which he was demoted and the demotion is instituted at the employee's request or is acceptable to the employee, the appointing authority shall pay him at a step in the grade of the class to which he was demoted which is:
    - (1) Equal to his present base rate of pay; or
    - (2) Equivalent to a decrease of not more than one step from his base rate of pay in the position from which he was demoted. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), if the base rate of pay in the position from which he was demoted does not fall within the grade of the class to which he was demoted, the employee must be paid at a step in the grade of the class to which he was demoted which is equal to:

- (I) The step he would have received if he had not been promoted to the position from which he was demoted; or
  - (II) The step he would have received if he had been employed in that class from the inception of his employment with the State of Nevada.
- (b) An exception to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) may be granted by the appointing authority to pay an employee at a rate that does not fall within the grade of the class to which he is demoted if the appointing authority determines that the demotion is in the best interest of the employee and the State of Nevada. If such an exception is granted:
  - (1) The employee's base rate of pay will be limited to three grade levels above the grade of the class to which he is demoted or his base rate of pay in the position from which he was demoted, whichever is less.
  - (2) The employee's base rate of pay in the position to which he was demoted will be frozen until it falls within the grade of the class to which he was demoted or for a maximum of 2 years after the date he was demoted, making the employee ineligible for any merit pay increases, cost of living adjustments or adjustments for a class of employees that has been approved by the legislature.
  - (3) If the employee's frozen base rate of pay does not fall within the grade of the class to which he was demoted within the 2-year period, his base rate of pay will be adjusted to the highest step within the grade of the class to which he was demoted.
- (c) If an employee accepts a promotion and is demoted before attaining permanent status in the class, he must be paid at a step in the grade of the class to which he was demoted which is equivalent to the base rate of pay to which he would have been entitled had he not been promoted.
- (d) If the demotion is instituted by the appointing authority for disciplinary reasons and is not covered by paragraph (b), the appointing authority shall determine the step in the grade of the class to which the employee was demoted at which the employee will be paid.
- (e) If an employee is demoted during his probationary period in state service, the appointing authority may pay the demoted employee at any step in the grade of the class to which the employee was demoted that is not greater than his base rate of pay before the demotion.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.204, if an employee transfers to a position in the same or a related class, he must be placed at the corresponding step in the same grade that he held before the transfer. Any exception to this subsection must be:
  - (a) Based on the provisions of NAC 284.204; or
  - (b) Approved by the department of personnel based upon a written request and justification for the exception submitted by the appointing authority.
- 5. If an employee is reappointed to a position which is in:
  - (a) The grade which he currently holds, he retains his step.
  - (b) A higher grade and the appointment occurs within 1 year after the date on which he last held the grade, he must be placed at the step which he last held in that grade.
  - (c) A higher grade and the reappointment occurs more than 1 year after he held that grade, his pay must be calculated pursuant to the provisions relating to promotion in subsection 2.

Any exception to this subsection must be approved by the department of personnel based upon a written request and justification for the exception submitted by the appointing authority.

6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, if a person is reemployed at:
  - (a) The same grade, he must be placed at the step which he last held in that grade.
  - (b) A lower grade, he must be placed at a step which most closely corresponds to the base rate of pay which he held at the time of his layoff or separation.
  - (c) A higher grade and the appointment occurs within 1 year after the date on which he last held the grade, he must be placed at the step which he last held in that grade.

An exception to this subsection may be made if the conditions in NAC 284.204 exist, or if money is not available as certified by the chief of the budget division of the department of administration or, in the case of an agency that is not funded from the state general fund or the University and Community College System of Nevada, as certified by the administrator of that agency or system. If an exception is made pursuant to this subsection because the agency does not have sufficient money available, the employee retains his right of reemployment.

7. If a person who is eligible for military reemployment is reemployed, the period of his military service must be included in calculating the step at which he will be placed.
8. An employee who has been continuously employed without a break in service may not have his step set below:
  - (a) Step 4 of any grade if his date of hire is before April 26, 1973; or
  - (b) Step 3 of any grade if his date of hire is before May 3, 1975, but on or after April 26, 1973, except for disciplinary reasons which result in demotion.
9. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if a nonclassified or unclassified employee or an employee included in the personnel system pursuant to the provisions of NRS 284.022 is appointed without a break in service to the classified service, he may, at the discretion of the appointing authority:
  - (a) Be paid at a step which corresponds to or is below his rate of pay as a nonclassified or unclassified employee if it is within the grade of the class to which he is appointed;
  - (b) Be paid at the first step in the new grade to which he is appointed; or
  - (c) Receive a special adjustment to his pay pursuant to subsection 1 of NAC 284.204 or NAC 284.206.

An exception to this subsection may be made if a nonclassified or unclassified employee who was an employee of the legislative branch of state government employed at the conclusion of a regular session of the legislature pursuant to NRS 284.3775 transfers to state service.

10. An employee who was previously employed in the classified service and is appointed pursuant to the provisions of subsection 9 may not be paid at a step and grade which is greater than he received at the time he left the classified service, unless he has held the unclassified or nonclassified position for more than 1 year.
11. As used in this section, "present level of pay" means a rate of pay that is equal to the amount that is assigned to the step within the grade which is closest to, but does not exceed, the employee's pay after a special adjustment to pay pursuant to the provisions of NAC 284.206.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § F, eff. 8-11-73; A 10-6-78]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-28-85; 5-27-86; 7-22-87; 9-17-87; 12-17-87; 7-21-89; 8-14-90; 8-1-91; 7-6-92; 3-23-94; 7-1-94; 3-1-96; R098-99, 9-27-99; R197-99, 1-26-2000; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.182 Adjustment and retention of pay progression date; restoration of date of appointment and pay progression date. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. An employee receives a new pay progression date if he is:
  - (a) Promoted to a position that results in an increase of two grades or more; or
  - (b) Reinstated.
2. An employee retains his pay progression date if he is:
  - (a) Promoted to a position that results in an increase of one grade;
  - (b) In a position that is reclassified to a higher class as a result of an individual classification study or an occupational study;
  - (c) Transferred to a position without receiving an increase in grade;
  - (d) Reappointed to a position at a grade that he formerly held;
  - (e) Reemployed and has remained continuously employed; or
  - (f) Demoted.
3. If a person who is eligible for military reemployment is reemployed, he retains the pay progression date held when he separated from this state for his service in the military.
4. If an employee was promoted but is being restored to his former position pursuant to the provisions of NAC 284.462, the date of appointment and pay progression date of the former position must be restored.
5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an employee's pay progression date must be adjusted:
  - (a) To equal 1 year of full-time equivalent service for an employee who changes from full-time employment to part-time employment or from part-time employment to full-time employment; or
  - (b) On a day-for-day basis for the amount of time that he was unemployed if the employee:
    - (1) Is reemployed following a separation from state service within 1 year after the date on which he was laid off or received a seasonal separation;
    - (2) Is a person with a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work who is reemployed following a separation from state service within 1 year after the date on which he sustained the permanent disability as determined pursuant to NAC 284.6013; or
    - (3) Is:
      - (I) A nonexempt employee who is on leave without pay or on catastrophic leave in excess of 240 hours; or
      - (II) An exempt classified employee on leave without pay or on catastrophic leave in excess of 30 working days,

in a year, except for leave without pay for a work-related injury or illness pursuant to NRS 281.390 or on a military leave of absence pursuant to NRS 284.359 or a leave of absence without pay during a fiscal emergency pursuant to NAC 284.580. An employee whose base hours are more than 80 hours biweekly must be allotted additional leave without pay and catastrophic leave in proportion to the base hours for his pay class designation.

[Personnel Div., Rule III part § G, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-28-85; 5-27-86; 8-22-86; 4-19-88; 7-21-89; 10-18-89; 3-27-92; 7-6-92; 9-16-92; 11-16-95; 3-1-96; 10-27-97; 10-27-97; R043-99, 9-27-99; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.186 Date of promotion coinciding with pay progression date. (NRS 284.175)** If the date of an eligible employee's promotion coincides with his pay progression date, the merit pay increase must be granted first and the promotional increase must be applied to the higher rate.

[Personnel Div., Rule III part § G, eff. 8-11-73; A 4-14-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; R043-99, 9-27-99; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.194 Merit pay increase: Granting or withholding; delay because of administrative or clerical error. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.335)**

1. An employee whose last rating of performance was standard or better and who has not attained the top step of his grade must receive a merit pay increase of one step on his pay progression date. Unless the employee receives a subsequent rating of performance that is substandard, an employee will receive a merit pay increase of one step for each additional year of employment equivalent to full-time service until he reaches the top step of the grade.
2. An employee whose last rating of performance was substandard is not eligible for a merit pay increase until his overall performance improves to standard or better. If a subsequent report on performance is not filed with the director within the 90-day period required by subsection 4 of NRS 284.340, the employee's performance will be deemed standard and he will be entitled to the merit pay increase effective on the date on which the subsequent report on performance was due. The date on which a report on performance is received by the director or an employee of the department of personnel is the date on which the report is filed.
3. If a merit pay increase is withheld as provided in subsection 2 because a rating of performance was substandard, the employee's pay progression date must not be affected.
4. If a merit pay increase is delayed solely because of an administrative or clerical error, the increase must be made effective on the date on which the increase was properly due.

[Personnel Div., Rule III part § G, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 10-18-89; 11-16-95; R031-98, 4-17-98; R043-99, 9-27-99; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.196 Merit pay increase: Credit for service under certain circumstances. (NRS 284.175)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, service in any provisional, temporary, special disabled or emergency status that is immediately followed by probationary or permanent status must be credited toward eligibility for a merit pay increase.
2. Service in a seasonal position must be credited toward eligibility for a merit pay increase. An incumbent in such a seasonal position must complete 1 year of full-time equivalent service before he is eligible for a merit pay increase.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.204 Adjustment of steps within same grade. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. The department of personnel may approve an adjustment of steps within the same grade to:
  - (a) Allow an appointing authority the flexibility to adjust the rate of pay for a position that will be filled by a person from a pool of eligible persons who are applying for the position on an open competitive basis in order to:
    - (1) Meet a difficult recruiting problem in which an effort to recruit a person for a position or class has failed to produce at least five eligible persons who are available to work, or the recruitment for the position or class has been deemed historically difficult. Such an adjustment of steps may be approved by the department of personnel for a class for a period of 1 year.
    - (2) Employ a person whose education or experience is superior to those of another eligible person and who exceeds the minimum qualifications of the class. Any experience or education which is considered by the appointing authority pursuant to this subparagraph must be given a greater weight for those areas which are directly related to the position than general education and experience.
  - (b) Maintain an equitable relationship in the status of steps among the employees of the appointing authority if a disparity exists. An adjustment will not be granted pursuant to this section if the disparity in steps is:
    - (1) Among employees of different agencies; or
    - (2) A result of:
      - (I) The length of service of employees;
      - (II) An adjustment in pay which was attained in a former class; or
      - (III) An adjustment in pay for an employee who resides in a particular geographical area.
  - (c) Maintain an appropriate differential, as determined by the appointing authority, between the base rate of pay of a supervisor and the base rate of pay of an employee who is in the direct line of authority of the supervisor. An adjustment may be granted pursuant to this paragraph if, before the adjustment, the base rate of pay of the employee is the same or greater than the base rate of pay of the supervisor.
2. Before granting an adjustment of steps pursuant to this section, the appointing authority must submit a request on a form prescribed by the department of personnel to the department of personnel which:
  - (a) Specifies the qualifying conditions and justification for the request; and
  - (b) Certifies that the appointing authority has, where applicable:
    - (1) Considered the requirements for the pay required to meet the need described in subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1;
    - (2) Considered the qualifications of any other eligible person who is available for work for the purposes of subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1;
    - (3) Ensured that the adjustment is feasible on the basis of its fiscal effects;



- (4) Ensured that the adjustment will not cause inequity between current employees which would require adjustments in the steps of those employees which are not feasible on the basis of the fiscal effects of such adjustments; and
  - (5) Prepared and maintained an accurate record of the consideration of the factors listed in this section.
- 3. If an adjustment of steps pursuant to this section is approved by the department of personnel, the effective date of such an adjustment is the date on which a request that complies with subsection 2 is received by the department of personnel or the personnel office of the agency at which the employee who is receiving the adjustment is employed. If a request for an adjustment of steps is delayed because an administrative or clerical error prevented the delivery of the request, the effective date must be determined by the appointing authority and must be based on the date on which the request should reasonably have been submitted. A retroactive adjustment must not exceed 6 months from the date on which the department of personnel receives the request.
- 4. An adjustment of steps which is made pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 may be revoked when:
  - (a) The recruiting problem which caused the adjustment was due to the geographical location of the position; and
  - (b) The employee transfers to an area where a recruiting problem does not exist.

The employee must be placed at the step he would have received if he had not received the adjustment.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 8-14-90; A 7-1-94; R197-99, 1-26-2000; R147-01, 1-22-2002; R015-02, 5-2-2002)

**NAC 284.206 Special adjustments to pay. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. The department of personnel may approve a special adjustment to pay equivalent to 5 percent of the employee's base rate of pay to recognize conditionally:
  - (a) An employee who works out of his class on a continuing basis and who performs essentially all the duties and responsibilities of a position classified at a higher grade. To receive the increase, the employee must:
    - (1) Be assigned duties and responsibilities of the higher grade which are clearly demonstrated in the class specification; and
    - (2) Carry out the duties and responsibilities for at least 16 consecutive workdays before the increase becomes effective.

The adjustment to pay pursuant to this paragraph is effective retroactively, commencing on the date on which the employee assumed the additional duties and responsibilities. The adjustment to pay must not continue for more than 6 months in any 12-month period unless the person is underfilling a position pursuant to NAC 284.437 and recruitment has failed to produce a sufficient number of applicants on the appropriate list. If the employee will be required to carry out the assigned duties and responsibilities of the higher grade for 1 year or less, the appointing authority may request a temporary reclassification pursuant to NAC 284.132.

- (b) An employee required to use bilingual skills or sign language for the deaf at least 10 percent of his work time.
- (c) An employee supervising other employees of the same or a higher grade if the supervision:
  - (1) Is not part of the supervision or management responsibilities for a program that is provided for in the class specification; and
  - (2) Includes, without limitation, selection, work assignment, training, work review, performance evaluation and discipline of employees.
- (d) An employee:
  - (1) Who is required regularly to perform custodial work and clean up human bodily waste in a medical, clinical or inpatient facility.
  - (2) Of the division of mental health and developmental services of the department of human resources or the division of child and family services of the department of human resources:
    - (I) Who provides mental health services to inpatients;
    - (II) Whose principal place of work is designated by the administrator of that division to be located in an assaultive environment; and
    - (III) Who is required to provide medical treatment, maintain buildings, instruct academic courses or provide therapy.

The adjustment to pay pursuant to this paragraph will be granted only when such duties are not required of the class as a whole and will be granted only once, although the employee performs more than one duty described in this paragraph. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, such an employee who is assigned to work in a unit that is designated by the administrator of that division to be located in an assaultive environment for 1 hour or more

per shift must also receive the adjustment for each hour and portion thereof that he works in the unit. An exempt classified employee who is assigned to work in a unit that is designated by the administrator to be located in an assaultive environment for any portion of a workday must receive the adjustment for all his regularly scheduled hours of employment on that workday.

- (e) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, an employee who conducts a formal training program for employees. The training program must:
  - (1) Be conducted weekly;
  - (2) Consist of training on the job and in the classroom or training only in the classroom;
  - (3) Include a test to determine the employees' progress in the program; and
  - (4) Result in the award of a certificate of completion or advancement in a class series to the journey level.

If an adjustment to pay is granted pursuant to this paragraph, the adjustment begins when the employee starts conducting the training program and ends when the training program is completed. An adjustment will not be granted if the duty to conduct training is clearly set forth in the class specification. Informal orientation given to new employees will not be considered for this special adjustment.

- (f) A law enforcement officer who is assigned to motorcycle duty.
- (g) An employee of the department of corrections who is responsible for the supervision of a group of inmates assigned to a work area of an institution and who is responsible for implementing security procedures, including, without limitation:
  - (1) Securing the work area from inmates who are not authorized to enter the work area;
  - (2) Accounting for all inmates who have been assigned to the work area; and
  - (3) Accounting for all materials, tools and equipment in the work area.

The adjustment to pay pursuant to this paragraph will be granted only if such duties are not provided for in the class specification.

- (h) An employee who is authorized by the legislature to receive such an adjustment to his pay.

- 2. The department of personnel may approve a special adjustment to the pay of an employee who occupies a position in which the duties have been recognized through the classification process as being at a higher level, but who does not meet the minimum qualifications for the class. The special adjustment to the employee's pay must be equivalent to 2.5 percent of the employee's base rate of pay if the employee performs duties classified one grade higher than his current position, or 5 percent of the employee's base rate of pay if the employee performs duties classified two or more grades higher than his current position. A special adjustment to an employee's pay made pursuant to this subsection may continue in effect from the date on which the position questionnaire is received:

- (a) Until the employee meets the minimum qualifications and is promoted;
- (b) For 1 year after the effective date of the special adjustment to pay; or
- (c) Until the date the higher level duties are removed,

whichever occurs first.

3. A request for a special adjustment to pay made pursuant to this section may be initiated by an employee, the appointing authority or the department of personnel.
4. A special adjustment to pay authorized by this section does not constitute a promotion.
5. Any special adjustment to pay made pursuant to subsection 1 must be revoked when the conditions justifying it cease to exist.
6. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the effective date of a special adjustment to pay is the date on which the written request is received by the department of personnel or the personnel office of the agency at which the employee who is receiving the special adjustment to pay is employed. If the request for the special adjustment to pay is delayed because an administrative or clerical error prevented its delivery, the effective date of the special adjustment to pay must be determined by the appointing authority and must be based on the date on which the request should reasonably have been submitted. A retroactive adjustment to pay must not exceed 6 months from the date on which the department of personnel receives the written request.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § H, eff. 8-11-73; A 7-3-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-28-85; 5-27-86; 1-26-87; 9-17-87; 12-17-87; 7-14-88; 1-22-90; 8-14-90; 12-26-91; 11-12-93; 3-23-94; 11-16-95; 10-27-97; A by Personnel Comm'n by R065-98, 7-24-98; A by Dep't of Personnel by R098-99, 9-27-99; R197-99, 1-26-2000; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.208 Compensation for dangerous duty. (NRS 284.175)**

1. Only the following groups, under the conditions described, are entitled to receive pay for dangerous duty:
  - (a) Employees engaged in scuba or skin diving.
  - (b) Employees who perform duties at a height of more than 16 feet above the floor in a building or 16 feet above ground level outside of a building if the work is performed on portable equipment or outside of a railed or protected area.
  - (c) All employees, except pilots, for time spent in single engine aircraft or helicopters when required to do so by the employer.
  - (d) Employees required to handle or use explosives.
2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an employee who performs any dangerous duty must receive additional pay equal to 10 percent of his normal rate of pay for each hour in which he performs any dangerous duty. An exempt classified employee who performs any dangerous duty for any portion of a workday must receive the additional pay for all his regularly scheduled hours of employment on that workday.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 8-26-83; A 10-26-84; 9-17-87; 3-23-94; R082-00, 8-2-2000; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.210 Differential rate of pay for qualifying shift. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. As used in this section, "qualifying shift" means a period of work of at least 8 hours, of which 4 hours must fall between the hours of 6 p.m. and 7 a.m.
2. Except as otherwise provided in this section, an employee must receive compensation equivalent to 5 percent of his normal rate of pay for all hours worked within a shift if the employee works a qualifying shift. If an exempt classified employee works a qualifying shift for any portion of a

workday, he must receive such compensation for all his regularly scheduled hours of employment on that workday.

3. If an employee is assigned to a qualifying shift when he is on leave or a holiday occurs, he must receive the differential rate of pay for that shift.
4. Any hours exceeding the qualifying 8-hour shift are eligible for overtime at the differential rate of pay for that shift if the hours are worked by an employee other than an exempt classified employee, in conjunction with, immediately before or following the shift.
5. A qualifying shift, including, without limitation, the times at which the shift started and ended, must be clearly designated on the employee's time sheet and approved by the employee's supervisor.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § I, eff. 8-11-73; A 7-3-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 12-17-87; 7-21-89; 3-23-94; 10-27-97; R031-98, 4-17-98; A by Personnel Comm'n by R065-98, 7-24-98; A by Dep't of Personnel by R098-99, 9-27-99; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.214 Compensation for being called back to work; compensation for person required to appear as witness. (NRS 284.175)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, an employee must be paid 2 hours of call back pay at the rate of time and one-half of his normal rate of pay if his employer calls him back to work during his scheduled time off without having notified him before the completion of his last normal working day. For each additional hour that such an employee works after the 2 hours for which he is paid call back pay, the employee must be paid overtime at the rate of time and one-half of his normal rate of pay if he is eligible pursuant to NRS 284.180.
2. Subsection 1 does not apply to any:
  - (a) Employee who is called into work while on standby status.
  - (b) Exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee.
  - (c) Employee who works part time or intermittently unless he has worked 8 hours in 1 calendar day.
  - (d) Employee who performs duties pursuant to an understanding with the agency whereby the employee is given discretion as to performance of the duties and the duties are initiated by the action of the employee. In such a case, the employee receives compensation at the appropriate rate only for the actual time spent in the performance of those duties.
  - (e) Employee who is not required to leave the premises where he is residing or located at the time of notification in order to respond to a call.
  - (f) Employee who is called back to work if:
    - (1) The work begins 1 hour or less before or after his scheduled work shift;
    - (2) The time for beginning the work is set at the employee's request; or
    - (3) The work begins during the same 2-hour period previously paid for call back pay.
3. An employee who is required to appear as a witness in court or at an administrative hearing:
  - (a) During his regularly scheduled time off; and
  - (b) Concerning a matter which relates directly to his job,

must be paid 2 hours of call back pay at the rate of time and one-half of his normal rate of pay. For each additional hour after the 2 hours for which he is paid call back pay, the employee must be paid overtime at the rate of time and one-half of his normal rate of pay if he is eligible pursuant to NRS 284.180. If he receives a witness fee as well as this compensation, he shall remit the witness fee to the agency by which he is employed.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § J, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 12-13-83; 10-26-84; 9-17-87; 11-12-93; 3-23-94; 10-27-97; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NRS 480.320 states, "Payment of cadets.** The Nevada highway patrol shall not authorize any payment to a cadet for holding himself ready for duty if the cadet is attending an authorized training academy for which room and board is provided at no cost to the cadet."

**NAC 284.218 Compensation for standby status. (NRS 284.175)**

1. A nonexempt employee in the classified service of the state is on standby status when he is:
  - (a) Directed to remain available for notification to work during specified hours;
  - (b) Prepared to work if the need arises;
  - (c) Able to report to work within a reasonable time;
  - (d) Directed by his supervisor to carry a paging device, provide a telephone number where he may be notified or provide any other acceptable means for notification; and
  - (e) Allowed to use the time during which he is waiting for notification to work for his personal pursuits.
2. When a nonexempt employee in the classified service of the state who is on standby status begins the performance of his regular duties after receiving notice to work, he ceases to be on standby status and qualifies for straight time or overtime pay, whichever is applicable, for the actual time worked. Upon completion of the work, he returns to standby status for the remainder of the time he has been directed to be available to work.
3. A nonexempt employee in the classified service of the state is entitled to receive additional pay, or equivalent compensatory time off, at the rate of 5 percent of his normal rate of pay for every hour he is on standby status.
4. Cash payment is the preferred method of compensation pursuant to this section, but compensatory time off, not to exceed the maximum allowed pursuant to subsection 3 of NAC 284.250, must be granted in lieu of cash payment if the employee requests compensatory time and the agency approves the request.

5. Any class designated by statute as a 24-hour class does not automatically qualify for this additional pay.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § K, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-26-83; 10-26-84; 7-22-87; 3-23-94; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.220 Change of time to or from daylight savings time. (NRS 284.175)**

1. An employee, other than an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee, who loses an hour of work during his scheduled shift because of a change of time to daylight savings time may, with the approval of the appointing authority, elect to take an hour of annual leave, compensatory time or leave without pay or must be scheduled to work an additional hour.
2. An employee, other than an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee, who is required to work an additional hour during his scheduled shift because of a change of time to standard daylight time is entitled to receive overtime pay or compensatory time as approved by the agency.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 4-19-88; A 3-23-94; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.228 Shift trading: Agreement; responsibilities. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.345)**

1. An employee may enter into a written agreement to trade shifts with another employee who is employed by the same state agency if each employee who enters into the agreement:
  - (a) Does so solely at his option as described in 29 C.F.R. § 553.31;
  - (b) Performs work in the same class; and
  - (c) Obtains approval to enter into the agreement from the appointing authority of the state agency that employs him.
2. If an employee who enters into an agreement pursuant to subsection 1 is unable to work the shift that he agreed to work, he is responsible for entering into a written agreement to trade shifts with another employee who satisfies the requirements of subsection 1 to ensure that the shift is worked. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, if the employee is unable to enter into an agreement with an employee who satisfies the requirements of subsection 1 to work the shift that he agreed to work, the state agency that employs the employee who was originally scheduled to work that shift before any agreements to trade shifts were entered into pursuant to this subsection or subsection 1 shall:
  - (a) Reduce that employee's accrued annual leave or accrued compensatory time by the number of hours in the shift; or
  - (b) If that employee does not have annual leave or compensatory time available, place the employee on leave without pay for the number of hours in the shift,unless that employee works the shift he was originally scheduled to work.
3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, if an employee works a shift for another employee as provided in an agreement entered into pursuant to subsection 1 or 2, the state agency that employs the employees shall pay each employee as if he had worked his regularly scheduled hours of employment on that workday.
4. The state agency that employs an employee who works a shift for another employee as provided in an agreement entered into pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 may exclude the hours worked by the

employee pursuant to the agreement from the calculation of the hours for which the employee is entitled to receive:

- (a) Credit for overtime work pursuant to NRS 284.180; and
  - (b) Any other additional pay or benefits required to be paid by this chapter or chapter 284 of NRS.
5. If an employee who enters into an agreement pursuant to subsection 1 is unable to work the shift that he agreed to work because on the date that the shift occurs he no longer satisfies the requirements of subsection 1 and the other employee who is a party to the agreement has already worked the shift which he agreed to work pursuant to that agreement or another employee has worked that shift as provided in an agreement entered into pursuant to subsection 2, the state agency shall:
- (a) Reduce the pay of the employee who no longer satisfies the requirements of subsection 1 by the number of hours in the shift that was worked for him; and
  - (b) If the hours worked by the other employee pursuant to the original agreement or as provided in an agreement entered into pursuant to subsection 2 were excluded from the calculation described in subsection 3, include those hours in the calculation of the hours for which that employee is entitled to receive:
    - (1) Credit for overtime work pursuant to NRS 284.180; and
    - (2) Any other additional pay or benefits required to be paid by this chapter or chapter 284 of NRS.
6. The appointing authority shall maintain accurate records of each agreement entered into by its employees pursuant to subsection 1 or 2.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel by R015-02, eff. 5-2-2002)

**NRS 284.180 states in part, "overtime.**

- 2. Credit for overtime work directed or approved by the head of an agency or his representative must be earned at the rate of time and one-half, except for those employees described in NRS 284.148.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 4, 6, 7 and 9, overtime is considered time worked in excess of:
  - (a) Eight hours in 1 calendar day;
  - (b) Eight hours in any 16-hour period; or
  - (c) A 40-hour week.



4. Firemen who choose and are approved for a 24-hour shift shall be deemed to work an average of 56 hours per week and 2,912 hours per year, regardless of the actual number of hours worked or on paid leave during any biweekly pay period. A fireman so assigned is entitled to receive 1/26 of his annual salary for each biweekly pay period. In addition, overtime must be considered time worked in excess of:

- (a) Twenty-four hours in one scheduled shift; or
- (b) Fifty-three hours average per week during one work period for those hours worked or on paid leave.

The appointing authority shall designate annually the length of the work period to be used in determining the work schedules for such firemen. In addition to the regular amount paid such a fireman for the deemed average of 56 hours per week, he is entitled to payment for the hours which comprise the difference between the 56-hour average and the overtime threshold of 53 hours average at a rate which will result in the equivalent of overtime payment for those hours.

- 5. The director, with the approval of the commission, shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of subsection 4.
- 6. For employees who choose and are approved for a variable workday, overtime will be considered only after working 40 hours in 1 week.
- 7. Employees who are eligible under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. §§ 201 et seq., to work a variable 80-hour work schedule within a biweekly pay period and who choose and are approved for such a work schedule will be considered eligible for overtime only after working 80 hours biweekly, except those eligible employees who are approved for overtime in excess of one scheduled shift of 8 or more hours per day.
- 8. An agency may experiment with innovative work weeks upon the approval of the head of the agency and after majority consent of the affected employees. The affected employees are eligible for overtime only after working 40 hours in a work week.
- 9. This section does not supersede or conflict with existing contracts of employment for employees hired to work 24 hours a day in a home setting. Any future classification in which an employee will be required to work 24 hours a day in a home setting must be approved in advance by the commission.
- 10. All overtime must be approved in advance by the appointing authority or his designee. No officer or employee, other than a director of a department or the chairman of a board, commission or similar body, may authorize overtime for himself. The chairman of a board, commission or similar body must approve in advance all overtime worked by members of the board, commission or similar body.
- 11. The budget division of the department of administration shall review all overtime worked by employees of the executive department to ensure that overtime is held to a minimum. The budget division shall report quarterly to the state board of examiners the amount of overtime worked in the quarter within the various agencies of the state.”

**NRS 284.148 states, “Unclassified and classified service: Persons exempt pursuant to Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938; determination of exempt positions by department.**

1. An elected officer or an employee in the unclassified service who is an elected officer, on the personal staff of an elected officer, an appointed head of a department or division who serves at the pleasure or discretion of an elected officer or an executive, administrative or professional employee within the meaning of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. §§ 201 et seq.:
  - (a) Must be paid on a salary basis, within a maximum amount established by law;
  - (b) Is not entitled to compensation for overtime; and
  - (c) Is not subject to disciplinary suspensions for less than 1 week.
2. An employee in the classified service who is an executive, administrative or professional employee within the meaning of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. §§ 201 et seq., and who is either a head of a department, division or bureau, or a doctoral level professional:
  - (a) Must be paid on a salary basis;
  - (b) Is not entitled to compensation for overtime; and
  - (c) Is not subject to disciplinary suspensions for less than 1 week.
3. Unless otherwise specified by statute, the department shall determine which positions in the classified and unclassified service are subject to the provisions of this section.”

**NRS 281.100 (overtime) states, “Hours of service of employees of state and political subdivisions; exceptions; penalty.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 284.180, the services and employment of all persons who are employed by the State of Nevada, or by any county, city, town, township or other political subdivision thereof, are limited to not more than 8 hours in any 1 calendar day and not more than 40 hours in any 1 week.
2. The period of daily employment mentioned in this section commences from the time the employee takes charge of any equipment of the employer or acts as an assistant or helper to a person who is in charge of any equipment of the employer, or enters upon or into any conveyance of or operated by or for the employer at any camp or living quarters provided by the employer for the transportation of employees to the place of work.
3. This section does not apply to:
  - (a) Officials of the State of Nevada or of any county, city, town, township or other political subdivision thereof, or employees of the state whose employment is governed by NRS 284.148.
  - (b) Employees of the State of Nevada or of any county, city, town, township or other political subdivision thereof who:

- (1) Are engaged as employees of a fire department, or to nurses in training or working in hospitals, or to police, deputy sheriffs or jailers;
- (2) Chose and are approved for a variable workday or variable 80-hour work schedules within a biweekly pay period;
- (3) Work more than 8 hours but not more than 10 hours in any 1 workday or 40 hours in any 1 work week;
- (4) Are executive, administrative, professional or supervisory employees; or
- (5) Are covered by a collective bargaining agreement which establishes hours of service.
- (c) Employees of the legislative counsel bureau.
- (d) Work done directly by any public utility company pursuant to an order of the public utilities commission of Nevada or other public authority.
- 4. Any employee whose hours are limited by subsection 1 may be permitted, or in case of emergency where life or property is in imminent danger may be required, at the discretion of the officer responsible for his employment, but subject to any agreement made pursuant to NRS 284.181, to work more than the number of hours limited. If so permitted or required, he is entitled to receive, at the discretion of the responsible officer:
  - (a) Compensatory vacation time; or
  - (b) Overtime pay.
- 5. Any officer or agent of the State of Nevada, or of any county, city, town, township, or other political subdivision thereof, whose duty it is to employ, direct or control the services of an employee covered by this section, who violates any of the provisions of this section as to the hours of employment of labor as provided in this section, is guilty of a misdemeanor.”

**NAC 284.242 Authorization of overtime. (NRS 284.175, 284.180)**

- 1. If a nonexempt employee is required to work overtime, the overtime must be authorized pursuant to subsection 10 of NRS 284.180 and communicated to the employee at least 4 hours in advance by the responsible supervisor before being worked, unless an unpredictable emergency prevents prior approval and communication.
- 2. If a nonexempt employee requests to work overtime, the overtime must be authorized in advance pursuant to subsection 10 of NRS 284.180.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § L subsecs. 4-6, eff. 8-11-73; renumbered as subsecs. 3-5, 10-10-76]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 3-23-94; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.245 Consideration of paid-leave status in calculating overtime.** Paid-leave status is considered as time worked in calculating overtime.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.248 Overtime: Employee who works in two positions; exceptions. (NRS 284.175)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a nonexempt employee who works in two positions in one department or different departments must work or be in paid status in excess of 8 hours per day or 40 hours per week in combined work time in both positions to receive compensation for overtime. An appointing authority shall consider an employee's employment with another department when considering his agency's liability for compensation for overtime.
2. The hours worked voluntarily by an employee on an occasional or sporadic basis in a different capacity from his regular employment must not be combined with the hours worked by the employee in his regular employment for the purposes of determining the appointing authority's liability for compensation for overtime. As used in this subsection, "occasional or sporadic basis" means infrequently, irregularly or occurring in scattered instances.
3. An employee who qualifies for overtime compensation pursuant to subsection 1 must be paid:
  - (a) At the highest rate of pay of the two positions; or
  - (b) If the employee and the appointing authority have agreed in writing before the performance of the work requiring overtime, at the rate of pay of the position for which the work is performed.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 5-27-86; 3-23-94; 11-16-95; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.250 Compensation for overtime. (NRS 284.175, 284.181)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the method of compensating an employee for overtime is cash payment which is computed at the rate of time and one-half of the employee's normal rate of pay as required pursuant to NRS 284.180.
2. The employee and the appointing authority may enter into an agreement which complies with the provisions of 29 C.F.R. § 553.23 for compensating a nonexempt employee for overtime with compensatory time in lieu of cash payment.
3. Compensatory time may not be accrued in excess of 120 hours unless an agreement entered into pursuant to subsection 2 provides for the accrual of additional hours of compensatory time, not to exceed 240 hours. Overtime liability incurred in excess of these limits must be paid in cash. The appointing authority may pay in cash for compensatory time accrued below these limits.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § L subsecs. 9-11, eff. 8-11-73; renumbered as subsecs. 8-10, 10-10-76]—  
(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 9-30-88; 11-12-93; 3-23-94; R031-98, 4-17-98; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.2508 Use of compensatory time. (NRS 284.175, 284.181, 284.345)**

1. At the direction of the appointing authority, compensatory time must be used within a reasonable time after it is accrued.
2. Unless it would cause an undue hardship to the agency, a request for the use of compensatory time may not be unreasonably denied if the request is made at least 2 weeks in advance of the first date on which the employee wishes to use his compensatory time.
3. Unless it would cause an employee to forfeit an amount of annual leave pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 284.350, an employee must, to the extent possible, exhaust his compensatory time before he uses his available annual leave.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.252 Payment for certain portions of accrued compensatory time. (NRS 284.175, 284.181)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, an employee who has accrued more than 60 hours of compensatory time may request, in writing, payment in cash for the amount of compensatory time that exceeds 60 hours.
2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an employee who is subject to an agreement which provides for the accrual of up to 240 hours of compensatory time may request, in writing, payment in cash for any compensatory time accrued in excess of 120 hours. An exception to this subsection may be made for payment of all compensatory time accrued in excess of 60 hours to:
  - (a) A fire fighter who submits a request for payment on or before April 1, if payment is made during the month of April.
  - (b) A district brand inspector who submits a request for payment on or before September 1, if payment is made during the month of September.
  - (c) A 24-hour duty officer of the division of emergency management of the department of public safety who has accumulated more than 60 hours of compensatory time during any 12 consecutive months.
3. A request for payment in cash for compensatory time pursuant to this section may not be unreasonably denied. Such a request may be denied if:
  - (a) The chief of the budget division of the department of administration certifies that there is insufficient money available in the state general fund; or
  - (b) In the case of an agency that is not supported from the state general fund, the administrator of the agency certifies that the agency has insufficient money available.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 8-26-83; A 10-26-84; 9-30-88; 3-23-94; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.253 Compensatory time: Rate of pay. (NRS 284.175, 284.181)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, an employee who terminates his employment must be paid for compensatory time at a rate that is an average of the normal rate of pay received by the employee during the last 3 years of the employee's employment, or the final normal rate of pay received by the employee, whichever is higher.
2. Any other employee must be paid for compensatory time at his normal rate of pay.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 5-27-86; A 11-16-95; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.2535 Compensatory time: Firemen. (NRS 284.175, 284.180, 284.181)**

1. A fireman who works a 24-hour shift and who elects to receive compensatory time off for the overtime he works is entitled to accrue 2.1 hours of compensatory time for each hour of overtime that he works.
2. If a fireman receives a cash payment for his accrued compensatory time, the payment must be calculated at his normal rate of pay.
3. When a fireman is appointed to a job classification with a work schedule of 40 hours per week, the compensatory time of the fireman must be converted to the amount of compensatory time that would have been accrued if the fireman worked 40 hours per week.
4. When an employee with a work schedule of 40 hours per week is appointed to a job as a fireman with an average work schedule of 56 hours per week, the compensatory time of the employee must be converted to the amount of compensatory time that would have been accrued if the person worked 56 hours per week.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, 9-13-91, eff. 10-1-91; A 12-26-91; 3-27-92; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.254 Payment of accrued compensatory time upon transfer. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.181)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if a nonexempt employee who has accrued compensatory time transfers from a position under the jurisdiction of one appointing authority to a position under the jurisdiction of another appointing authority, the accrued compensatory time must be paid by the agency he is leaving, unless the receiving agency agrees in writing to assume the liability for the compensatory time and the employee concurs.
2. The accrued compensatory time of an employee transferring to an exempt position must be paid by the agency the employee is leaving.
3. As used in this section, "exempt position" means a position in the classified or unclassified service that is subject to the provisions of NRS 284.148.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § L subsec. 12, eff. 8-11-73; renumbered as subsec. 11, 10-10-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 10-27-97; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NRS 236.015 in part states, “Legal holidays; closing of state, county and city offices, courts, public schools and University and Community College System of Nevada.**

1. The following days are declared to be legal holidays for state, county and city governmental offices:  
January 1 (New Year’s Day)  
Martin Luther King, Jr.’s birthday is on January 15 but is to be observed on the third Monday in January  
Washington’s birthday is on February 22 but is to be observed on the third Monday in February  
Last Monday in May (Memorial Day)  
July 4 (Independence Day)  
First Monday in September (Labor Day)  
Nevada Day is October 31 but is to be observed on the last Friday in October  
November 11 (Veterans’ Day)  
Fourth Thursday in November (Thanksgiving Day)  
Friday following the fourth Thursday in November (Family Day)  
December 25 (Christmas Day)  
Any day that may be appointed by the President of the United States for public fast, thanksgiving or as a legal holiday except for any Presidential appointment of the fourth Monday in October as Veterans’ Day.
2. Except as otherwise provided by NRS 293.560 and 293C.527, all state, county and city offices, courts, public schools and the University and Community College System of Nevada must close on the legal holidays enumerated in subsection 1 unless in the case of appointed holidays all or a part thereof are specifically exempted.
3. If January 1, July 4, November 11 or December 25 falls upon a:
  - (a) Sunday, the Monday following must be observed as a legal holiday.
  - (b) Saturday, the Friday preceding must be observed as a legal holiday.”

**NAC 284.255 Holidays: Holiday pay. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.345)**

1. For the purpose of this section, “holiday pay” means payment for a holiday at a nonexempt employee’s normal rate of pay plus the differential rate of pay for the shift, when applicable, or compensatory time at a straight-time rate.
2. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of subsection 3 and subsections 5 and 7, a full-time nonexempt employee whose base hours are 40 hours per week or 80 hours biweekly is entitled to receive 8 hours of holiday pay for any holiday that he is in paid status during any portion of his shift immediately preceding the holiday.
3. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 5 and 7:

- (a) A full-time nonexempt employee whose base hours exceed 40 hours per week or 80 hours biweekly and who is in paid status during any portion of his shift immediately preceding a holiday is entitled to receive holiday pay equal to the pay he receives for his average workday. For the purposes of this paragraph:
  - (1) The average workday of a nonexempt employee is determined by dividing the total base hours of work per year by 2,088 and multiplying the quotient by 8.
  - (2) A fireman assigned to a 24-hour shift shall be deemed to work 56 hours per week and 2,912 hours per year.
- (b) A part-time nonexempt employee is entitled to receive holiday pay for any portion of that holiday when he is in paid status during any portion of his shift immediately preceding the holiday if a holiday occurs on a scheduled workday. If such an employee is not required to work his normally scheduled workday on the holiday, the amount of holiday pay must equal the amount that he would have been paid if there had not been a holiday.
- (c) A:
  - (1) Full-time nonexempt employee with an innovative work week agreement may earn additional holiday pay on an hour-for-hour basis for any hours he works in excess of the holiday pay provided in paragraph (a) and in subsection 2, not to exceed the number of hours in his established workday as set forth in his innovative work week agreement.
  - (2) Part-time nonexempt employee may earn additional holiday pay on an hour-for-hour basis for any hours he works on a holiday, not to exceed 8 hours.
- 4. If a holiday occurs on the regularly scheduled workday of a nonexempt employee and his normal schedule of work is more than 8 hours, he must be in paid status or be placed on leave without pay for any difference between his holiday pay and his normal work schedule. An appointing authority may adjust the work schedule of such an employee for the week during which the holiday occurs in lieu of placing the employee on paid leave or leave without pay.
- 5. A nonexempt employee who is scheduled to work on a holiday, who does not work on that holiday and who fails to report his absence to his supervisor or a designated representative as required by NAC 284.590 is not eligible to receive holiday pay.
- 6. A nonexempt employee whose employment begins on a holiday is eligible to receive holiday pay pursuant to subsections 2 and 3, if he is in paid status during his scheduled shift.
- 7. A nonexempt employee whose employment is terminated:
  - (a) The day immediately preceding a holiday is not entitled to receive holiday pay for that holiday.
  - (b) On a holiday on which he is working must be paid holiday pay for the actual hours he works on the holiday. If a nonexempt employee gives notice that he is terminating his employment on a holiday and he is not scheduled to work on the holiday, the last day on which he works or is in paid status is his date of termination.
- 8. The agency that lists a nonexempt employee as an “employee of record” on a holiday is responsible for the payment of holiday pay for that holiday to that employee. For the purposes of this subsection, an “employee of record” is a person employed by the state agency that is required to claim the person as an employee of the agency.



9. The salary of an exempt classified or exempt unclassified employee is not affected by a holiday.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § B subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73; A 7-3-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-28-85; 1-26-87; 9-17-87; 4-19-88; 7-14-88; 7-21-89; 9-13-91; 9-16-92; 11-12-93; 3-23-94; R098-99, 9-27-99; R058-01, 9-6-2001; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.256 Holidays: Compensation for working. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. As used in this section, "holiday premium pay" means pay or compensatory time at the rate of time and one-half of an employee's normal rate of pay for hours designated as worked on a holiday, except those hours that are considered overtime pursuant to NRS 284.180.
2. A nonexempt employee who works on a holiday is entitled to receive holiday premium pay, overtime pay or compensatory time for the hours he works on the holiday, in addition to any holiday pay that he is entitled to be paid pursuant to NAC 284.255. A nonexempt employee who elects to receive compensatory time for the hours he works on a holiday must not exceed the limits on the accrual of compensatory time set forth in NAC 284.250.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § B part subsec. 3, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 7-21-89; 9-13-91; 3-23-94; R058-01, 9-6-2001; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.257 Holidays: Designation of time for holiday pay; adjustment of work schedule if holiday occurs on employee's day off. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. For compensation for holiday pay pursuant to NAC 284.255 and payment for actual hours worked on a holiday pursuant to NAC 284.256, the appointing authority shall designate whether such compensation will be based on the:
  - (a) Calendar day; or
  - (b) Entire shift of the employee.
2. If a work shift designated pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 occurs on 2 consecutive calendar days:
  - (a) The employee may receive compensation related to the holiday for his entire shift only if 50 percent or more of his shift occurs on the holiday;
  - (b) The appointing authority shall ensure that the compensable hours related to the holiday are so designated on the time sheet of the employee; and
  - (c) The appointing authority of an employee who has two or more scheduled shifts on a holiday shall designate only one shift on the holiday for which the employee may receive compensation related to the holiday.
3. If a holiday occurs on the day off of a full-time nonexempt employee, the appointing authority may adjust the work schedule of the employee for the week during which the holiday occurs. If a holiday occurs on the day off of an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee, the appointing authority may adjust the work schedule of the employee for the week during which the holiday occurs or for a subsequent week.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.258 Compensation for time spent traveling. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. An employee who is otherwise entitled to pay for overtime may earn overtime for traveling if:
  - (a) His actual work time and his travel time exceed his normal workday of at least 8 hours; or

(b) The travel occurs on his regularly scheduled day off.

2. Such an employee begins traveling when he leaves his work station, or home if so authorized, and continues until he reaches his geographical location for his work assignment.
3. In determining the amount of travel time granted, the overtime claimed for additional reimbursement must be justified against the “normal” travel time as determined by the previous travel experience of the agency. If the additional travel time was caused by the employee’s choice of transportation, overtime compensation will not be paid for the portion of the travel time that exceeds the “normal” travel time. Unless the appointing authority determines that the additional travel time is justified, and employee who has travel layovers or delays in his transportation is limited to 4 hours of overtime, if applicable, plus per diem expenses. An employee may not be compensated for the time spent traveling during the normal time he spends commuting to and from work.
4. An employee who must travel and stay over to continue work on his next regularly scheduled workday is not considered to be working on his regularly scheduled day off and is not eligible for overtime pay. Such an employee is allowed to claim the standard per diem expenses.
5. Any travel by an employee on a holiday will be compensated pursuant to the provisions of NAC 284.255, 284.256 and 284.257.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § L subsec. 16, eff. 8-11-73; renumbered as subsec. 15, 10-10-76]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-1-94; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NRS 284.177 states, “Plan to encourage continuity of service.**

1. A plan to encourage continuity of service, administered by the department is hereby established for employees with 8 years or more of continuous state service. Employees rated standard or better with 8 years of continuous service are entitled to receive \$75 semiannually with a semiannual increase of \$25 for each additional year of service up to a maximum of 30 years of continuous state service.
2. An interruption in continuous state service terminates the employee’s eligibility for additional pay pursuant to subsection 1.
3. Except as provided in this subsection, no year served before the interruption may be counted in determining the employee’s subsequent eligibility. This provision does not apply to an employee who was employed before July 1, 1981, unless he leaves state service after that date.
4. As used in this section, “continuous service” means uninterrupted service as defined by the commission.”

**NRS 284.179 states, Professional employees of University and Community College System of Nevada not entitled to increases provided in NRS 284.177.** The professional employees of the University and Community College System of Nevada are not entitled to receive the increases provided in NRS 284.177.”

**NAC 284.262 Longevity pay: Eligibility. (NRS 284.175, 284.177)** Classified and unclassified employees are eligible for longevity pay pursuant to NRS 284.177.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § M subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73; A 9-6-74; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.270 Longevity pay: Required rating of performance. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.177, 284.335)**

1. For an employee to be eligible for longevity pay pursuant to NRS 284.177, he must receive a rating of performance of standard or better on his most recent report on performance.
2. An employee’s performance will be deemed to be standard on the date on which the report on performance was due if:
  - (a) The employee’s performance was not rated during the previous 12 months; or
  - (b) A subsequent report on performance was not filed after the employee received a substandard rating of performance pursuant to the provisions of subsection 4 of NRS 284.340.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § M subsec. 3, eff. 8-11-73; A 9-6-74; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-22-87; 10-18-89; 11-16-95; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.274 Longevity pay: Dates of payment and eligibility; responsible agency. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.177)**

1. After 8 years of continuous service, an employee is eligible for longevity pay in semiannual payments on December 31 and June 30.
2. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.282, such employees who are eligible and have not been separated from state service as of these dates will receive longevity pay.
3. An agency is responsible for the payment of longevity pay due an employee if that employee is employed by the agency on the date on which the employee becomes eligible for the semiannual payment.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § M subsec. 4, eff. 8-11-73; A 9-6-74; 4-14-76; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 12-17-87; 7-14-88; 7-21-89; 3-1-96; A by Personnel Comm’n by R065-98, 7-24-98 eff. 1-1-99; A by Dep’t of Personnel by R147-01, eff. 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.278 Longevity pay: Formulas for calculation. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.177)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, longevity pay for nonexempt employees must be calculated based on the following formula:

The number of hours  
worked during the 6-month  
qualifying period

\_\_\_\_\_ X longevity increment = longevity payment for the 6-month period

Total full-time equivalent  
hours for the pay class designation  
during the 6-month  
qualifying period

2. Longevity pay for exempt classified employees and exempt unclassified employees must be calculated based on the following formula:

The number of 8-hour days  
worked during the 6-month  
qualifying period

\_\_\_\_\_ X longevity increment = longevity payment for the 6-month period

Total full-time equivalent  
8-hour days for the pay class designation during  
the 6-month qualifying period

3. As used in this section, “hours worked” includes only the base hours for the pay class designation. [Personnel Div., Rule III § M subsec. 6, eff. 9-6-74; A and renumbered as subsec. 5, 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 9-13-91; 3-23-94; R031-98, 4-17-98; R058-01, 9-6-2001; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.282 Longevity pay: Particular circumstances. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.177, 284.355, 284.3626)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.580 for a leave of absence without pay during a fiscal emergency, an employee who is on leave without pay or catastrophic leave, or any combination of both, for the entire 6-month period of qualification is not entitled to longevity pay for that period.
2. The payment for longevity pay for a full-time employee will not be prorated pursuant to NAC 284.278 if:

- (a) He is an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee and he uses an amount of leave without pay or catastrophic leave, or any combination of both, that equals 30 days or less in a calendar year; or
  - (b) He is a nonexempt employee, the base hours established for his pay class designation are 40 hours per week or 80 hours biweekly and he uses 240 hours or less of leave without pay or catastrophic leave, or any combination of both, in a calendar year.
- 3. If the base hours established for a pay class designation exceed 40 hours per week or 80 hours biweekly, an employee in that pay class designation must be allotted leave without pay and catastrophic leave in proportion to his base hours and full-time equivalency. The longevity pay of such an employee will not be prorated unless his use of leave without pay and catastrophic leave proportionally exceeds the limits set forth in subsections 2 and 4.
  - 4. A part-time employee must be allotted leave without pay and catastrophic leave in proportion to his base hours and the full-time equivalency for his pay class designation. The longevity pay of such an employee will not be prorated unless his use of leave without pay and catastrophic leave proportionally exceeds the limit set for a full-time employee in his pay class designation pursuant to subsection 2.
  - 5. An employee who retires pursuant to the provisions of chapter 286 of NRS or who dies during the 6-month qualifying period is eligible for longevity pay according to the applicable formula in NAC 284.278.
  - 6. An employee who is laid off and is rehired within 1 year after the date of layoff is eligible for the longevity pay he would have earned if he had not been laid off. The longevity pay must be calculated as if the employee had been on leave without pay pursuant to subsection 2.
  - 7. A person with a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work who is reemployed following a separation from state service within 1 year after the date on which he sustained the permanent disability as determined pursuant to NAC 284.6013 is eligible for the longevity pay he would have earned if he had not been separated from state service. The longevity pay of such an employee must be calculated as if the employee had been on leave without pay pursuant to subsection 2.
  - 8. An employee is eligible to earn service credit for the calculation of longevity pay when he is receiving benefits for a temporary total disability pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or chapter 617 of NRS and he uses accrued sick leave, accrued annual leave or accrued compensatory time to meet the difference between his normal pay and the benefits he receives. Such an employee ceases to earn service credit for the calculation of longevity pay when he is placed on a leave of absence without pay or catastrophic leave.
  - 9. Service in a seasonal position must be credited toward the calculation of longevity pay if the employee is employed on December 31 and June 30 and if the requirements for eligibility for longevity pay have been met. If an employee in a seasonal position is not on the payroll on those two dates and he is reemployed within 12 months, the employee is entitled to receive prorated longevity pay for his service during the previous longevity period.
  - 10. If a person is on leave of absence without pay for military service pursuant to NRS 284.359 or is reemployed within 90 days after the military service, the time during which he was not in paid status because of his military service will be counted as service credit for the calculation of longevity pay. The person is eligible for longevity pay for the time he is in paid status in accordance with the provisions of subsection 2.

11. If a nonclassified employee or an employee covered by NRS 284.022 is appointed without a break in service to the classified or unclassified service, the previous time served is counted for the purpose of calculating longevity pay, but the employee is not eligible for any retroactive longevity pay.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § M subsec. 7, eff. 9-6-74; A and renumbered as subsec. 6, 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 12-17-87; 7-14-88; 7-21-89; 9-13-91; 9-16-92; 11-12-93; 3-23-94; 7-1-94; 11-16-95; 3-1-96; 10-27-97; R031-98, 4-17-98; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.284 Longevity pay: Return to state service. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.177)**

1. An employee who was eligible for longevity pay and who separated from state service before July 1, 1981, and returns to state service retains his eligibility for longevity pay.
2. For the purposes of this section, the employee will receive the same semiannual rate of payment that he received at the time of his separation from service. However, the employee may not receive any semiannual increases until he has again served the same number of full-time equivalent years without a break in service that he had served at the time of his separation from service plus 1 year.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A by R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.290 Retained rates of pay. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. An employee who is reclassified downward is entitled to a retained rate of pay if:
  - (a) The employee has been in the same class for the equivalent of 6 months or more of full-time employment immediately preceding the downward reclassification; and
  - (b) The reclassification is the result of a reorganization or other legitimate reason over which the employee has no control.
2. If an employee is entitled to a retained rate of pay pursuant to this section, the employee's base rate of pay remains unaffected for 2 years after the effective date of the downward reclassification. At the end of the 2-year period, the employee's base rate of pay will be frozen until it falls within the range of the grade to which he was reclassified or for a maximum of 2 years, making the employee ineligible for any merit pay increases, cost of living adjustments or adjustments for a class of employees that have been approved by the legislature. If the employee's frozen base rate of pay does not fall within the range of the grade to which he was reclassified within the 2-year period, his base rate of pay will be adjusted to the highest step within the lower grade to which he was reclassified.
3. If the employee voluntarily accepts another position within the time period prescribed in subsection 2, he may no longer retain his base rate of pay.
4. The employee is entitled to reemployment rights to his former class and option in his department for 1 year after the date of notification of the reclassification as provided in NAC 284.140.
5. This section does not apply to an employee who is occupying a position which is temporarily reclassified to a higher class and is later restored to the former class pursuant to NAC 284.132.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § O, eff. 8-11-73; renumbered as § P, 9-6-74; A 10-6-78]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 9-17-87; 7-1-94; 3-1-96; R098-99, 9-27-99; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

<b>INFORMATIONAL NOTE: SAM 2724.0 states in part, "Payroll Overpayment</b>
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All agencies should notify Personnel/Payroll immediately upon discovery of any overpayment, especially when there has been a termination of employment...”

**NAC 284.292 Notification of uncollected overpayment. (NRS 284.175)** If the department of personnel determines that an employee in the classified or unclassified service has been paid in a manner which is contrary to the applicable laws and regulations and the agency has been unsuccessful in collecting the overpayment, the department of personnel will notify the state controller after it has reviewed the circumstances with the agency concerned.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVI § A subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-14-88; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NRS 289.800 states, “Reimbursement for cost to repair or replace uniform, accessories or safety equipment damaged or destroyed in performance of duties.** In addition to the compensation required by NRS 281.121, a state agency that employs a person:

1. Upon whom some or all of the powers of a peace officer are conferred pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 289.180, subsection 1 of NRS 289.220 or subsection 2 or 5 of NRS 289.270; and
2. Who is required to purchase and wear his own uniform or other clothing, accessories or safety equipment while performing his duties for the state as a peace officer,

may, after first obtaining the written approval of the director of the department of administration, reimburse that person for the cost to repair or replace his required uniform or other clothing, accessories or safety equipment if it is damaged or destroyed, by means other than ordinary wear and tear, while he is performing his duties for the state as a peace officer.”

**NAC 284.294 Reimbursement for furnishing own tools. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. An employee who is required to furnish his own tools may elect to be reimbursed for the use, loss, theft and breakage of the tools at the rate of \$35 per month if the monetary value of the tools is more than \$300 and less than \$1,000, or at the rate of \$50 per month if the monetary value exceeds \$1,000. This monthly allowance must not be considered part of the employee’s base rate of pay.
2. The payment of reimbursement pursuant to subsection 1 absolves the agency of any responsibility for the employee’s tools if the loss per occurrence is \$1,000 or less. If the loss is more than \$1,000 and is covered under the terms and conditions of the policy of property insurance or program of self-insurance maintained by the state, the loss must be paid by the insurer or the state, as appropriate.
3. If the employee does not elect to be paid a monthly reimbursement for furnishing his own tools pursuant to subsection 1 and a loss occurs which is covered by the policy of property insurance or program of self-insurance maintained by the state, the first \$1,000 of the loss must be paid to the employee by the agency and the balance by the insurer or the state, as appropriate.
4. Agencies must approve and maintain a listing of those tools which are required.
5. As used in this section, “tools” does not include weapons or other protective equipment.

[Personnel Div., Rule III § P, eff. 8-11-73; renumbered as § Q 9-6-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-26-83; 7-14-88; 10-27-97; R147-01, 1-22-2002)



## **RECRUITMENT AND EXAMINATIONS**

### **NAC 284.295 Determining type of recruitment.**

1. If a recruitment is required, the department of personnel will determine the type of recruitment based on:
  - (a) The number of current or anticipated vacancies;
  - (b) The anticipated number of applicants; and
  - (c) The recommendations or requests of the appointing authority.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a recruitment must be restricted to one or a combination of these groups in the following order of priority:
  - (a) Applicants for promotion from within the division where the vacancy exists.
  - (b) Applicants for promotion from within the department where the vacancy exists.
  - (c) Applicants for promotion from throughout state service.
  - (d) Applicants for appointment from open competition.

If a recruitment includes more than one promotional group, any group with a higher priority must be included and receive preference.
3. Recruitment may be open competitive, or limited to or combined with any one or more of the promotional groups listed in subsection 2 if:
  - (a) The appointing authority certifies in writing to the department of personnel that, in accordance with the provisions of NAC 284.297, it is in the best interest of the agency to expand the recruitment to allow other groups to compete equally; or
  - (b) The class is designated in the classification plan as:
    - (1) Entry level because it is not a normal progression from another class; or
    - (2) One for which applicants for promotion are not normally available.
4. The provisions of this section do not prohibit the department of personnel or its designee from conducting a recruitment in anticipation of a vacancy.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 4-20-90)

**NAC 284.296 Recruitment: Agency's responsibilities.** An agency's responsibilities in the process of recruitment include:

1. Planning and anticipating staffing needs.
2. Reviewing and requesting changes to class specifications or grade allocations before initiating a recruitment.
3. Determining through the department of personnel the status of existing lists of eligible persons and requesting any necessary recruitment as early as possible.
4. Cooperating with the department of personnel during the process of recruitment in:
  - (a) Developing the assessment procedures and devices which will be used;
  - (b) Identifying the labor pool;

- (c) Establishing the time limits for the recruitment; and
- (d) Determining which, if any, special recruitment methods are necessary.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NRS 284.230 states, "Time and place of holding examination; use of public buildings.**

1. Examinations must be held at such times and places as in the judgment of the director most nearly meet the convenience of applicants, practicability of administration, and the needs of the public service.
2. The officers having control of public buildings in political subdivisions of the state and in school districts, upon request of the director, shall furnish convenient and reasonable space for examinations and necessary furniture, heat and light for the accommodation of the local examiners and for holding of examinations authorized by this chapter."

**NRS 284.210 states in part, "Competitive examinations: Requirements; contents; persons conducting examinations.**

1. All competitive examinations for positions in the classified service must:
  - (a) Relate to those matters which fairly test the capacity and fitness of the persons examined to perform in an efficient manner the duties of the class in which employment is sought.
  - (b) Be open to all applicants who meet the reasonable standards or requirements fixed by the director with regard to experience, character, age, education, physical condition and any other factors relating to the ability of the applicants to perform the duties of the position with reasonable efficiency."

**NAC 284.297 Determining practicability of limiting consideration to persons eligible for promotion.** For the purposes of NRS 284.295, "practicable" means that in the judgment of the appointing authority, it is in the best interest of the agency to limit consideration for a vacancy to persons who are eligible for promotion and who are employed within the division or department where the vacancy exists. In making this determination, the appointing authority shall consider:

1. The merit, fitness, efficiency, character, conduct, and length of service of the employee, pursuant to NRS 284.295;
2. The need to provide to all citizens a fair and equal opportunity for public service;
3. The composition of the work force in relation to the plan for affirmative action of the State of Nevada;
4. The needs of the agency in accomplishing its objectives; and
5. The possibility of any loss of federal money or other sanctions that may be imposed.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 4-20-90)

**NRS 284.150 states in part, "Classified service...**

2. Appointments in the classified service must be made according to merit and fitness from eligible lists prepared upon the basis of examination, which must be open and competitive, except as

otherwise provided in this chapter and NRS 209.161.”

**NRS 284.295 states in part, “Vacancy filled by promotion; eligibility; competitive examinations.**

3. The director may provide, in specific cases, for competitive promotional examinations among employees of departments other than that in which a particular vacancy in a higher classification may exist.”

**NAC 284.298 Competitive examinations.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter and in chapter 284 of NRS, an appointment to or within the classified service must be made through the use of competitive examinations.
2. Competitive examinations may be structured or unstructured, scored or unscored, written, oral, or in the form of a demonstration of skill, an evaluation of training, experience, or other specified job requirements, or any combination of these.
3. Examinations which measure an applicant’s capacity, technical knowledge, manual skill, and physical fitness, if it is related to the job, may be used.
4. The method of examination adopted by the center for assessment may be used.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV part § A, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 11-12-93)

**NAC 284.299 Examinations administered by center for assessment.** Oral, written, and performance exercises administered by a center for assessment must:

1. Be administered under standardized conditions;
2. Be related to performance of the job;
3. Be evaluated by more than one assessor; and
4. Measure a person’s skills, knowledge, and other attributes which are important to successful performance of the job.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 11-12-93)

**NAC 284.300 Requirements for selection of assessor of center for assessment.**

1. Assessors of a center for assessment must be selected:
  - (a) From at least two different departments; or
  - (b) From a combination of departments or other public or private employers.

2. Each assessor must be trained in the method of examination used by the center for assessment before he examines an applicant.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 11-12-93)

**NRS 284.220 states, "Certificates of general or special qualifications.** The director may require applicants, when filing their applications, to submit certificates of general or special qualifications as the good of the public service may require."

**NRS 281.375 states, "Application for employment: Volunteer work must be considered.** Every application form for employment with the State of Nevada, any of its political subdivisions or any agency of the state must indicate that volunteer work relevant to the position applied for is considered in the evaluation of the applicant's qualifications for employment and must provide space for the applicant to list any volunteer work he considers appropriate."

**NRS 179A.190 states "Notice of information may be disseminated to employers; use by employer; employer not liable for discrimination; other dissemination or release.**

1. Notice of information relating to sexual offenses may be disseminated to employers pursuant to NRS 179A.180 to 179A.240, inclusive.
2. An employer may consider such a notice of information concerning an employee when making a decision to hire, retain, suspend or discharge the employee, and is not liable in an action alleging discrimination based upon consideration of information obtained pursuant to NRS 179A.180 to 179A.240, inclusive.
3. The provisions of NRS 179A.180 to 179A.240, inclusive, do not limit or restrict any other statute specifically permitting the dissemination or release of information relating to sexual offenses."

#### **NAC 284.302 Investigations of applicants.**

1. To determine whether an applicant meets the minimum qualifications established for the class or position and other necessary criteria, the department of personnel may require certificates of citizens, public officers, or others having knowledge of the applicant as the good of the service may require. The department of personnel may require, either before examination or before certification, that necessary documentary evidence be submitted for such facts as citizenship, alien status, discharge under honorable circumstances from the Armed Forces of the United States, possession of valid licenses for various purposes, educational transcripts or other evidence of identification and qualification. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.342, any required information which is not received by the time of certification will be cause for the director to decline to certify the applicant.
2. The department of personnel or employing agency may investigate an applicant's character, past employment, education, and experience.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV part § A, eff. 8-11-73; Rule IV § B, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-6-92)

#### **NAC 284.306 Age limits; proof of age.**

1. Positions which involve public safety, supervision or care of wards of the state, hazardous working conditions, or other unusual circumstances may require reasonable minimum age limits as set forth in the approved class specification or the public notice of recruitment.
2. Appropriate proof of age must be submitted to the department of personnel upon request.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § C, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.310 Applications.**

1. Every applicant must file an application in the office of the department of personnel or its designated representative as specified in the public notice of recruitment.
2. If an application is mailed, the envelope containing the application must be postmarked by midnight of the final filing date specified in the public notice of recruitment.
3. Applications and accompanying documents, when filed, and all other examination materials, including questions and booklets, are the property of the department of personnel.
4. The incomplete or improper completion of an application which affects the department's ability to determine the qualifications of an applicant, including the failure to designate the locations where the applicant will work, is cause for rejection of the applicant.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § D, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-6-92)

**NAC 284.314 Disclosure of convictions.**

1. Any applicant who has a record of a criminal conviction as an adult shall so indicate on his application. The application must be accompanied by a complete explanation of the conviction. The failure of the applicant to authorize the release of the information which relates to the conviction of a crime is cause for rejection of the applicant.
2. Any applicant who has a record of conviction for any moving traffic violations within the previous 5 years shall so indicate on his application, including the dates and nature of the violations and the fines imposed.
3. The department of personnel or its designated representative, in determining whether to accept or refuse the application for a class, position or state service, will consider the type of position, the relevant statutory provisions, the intervening amount of time since the offense, the applicant's age at the time of the offense and, if applicable, the applicant's conduct during incarceration and any parole or probation, the reports from parole or probation officers concerning the applicant's record of employment while on parole or probation and related factors.
4. All relevant public records must be made available to the appointing authority upon its request.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § E, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 5-27-86)

**NRS 284.295 states, “Vacancy filled by promotion; eligibility; competitive examinations.**

1. Vacancies in positions must be filled, so far as practicable, by promotion within a department or agency from among persons holding positions in the classified service. Promotions must be based upon merit and fitness, to be ascertained in accordance with regulations established by the director. In such regulations the employee’s efficiency, character, conduct and length of service must all constitute factors. For the purposes of this subsection, a person employed by the legislative branch of government pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 284.3775 shall be deemed to hold the position he held before the legislative session.
2. Eligibility for promotion must be determined on recommendation of the appointing authority and certification by the director that the employee meets the minimum requirements and demonstrates his qualifications in accordance with regulations established by the director.
3. The director may provide, in specific cases, for competitive promotional examinations among employees of departments other than that in which a particular vacancy in a higher classification may exist.
4. An advancement in rank or grade or an increase in salary beyond the maximum fixed for the class constitutes a promotion.”

**NAC 284.318 Limitation of competition in recruitment.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, competition in a recruitment is limited to applicants who meet the minimum qualifications and other criteria for the class or position for which the recruitment is being held and may be further limited to those applicants who indicate on their application a willingness to accept the conditions of employment specified in the public notice of recruitment. The notice of recruitment may provide for the consideration of applicants who do not currently meet those minimum qualifications but who will do so by the time their names are placed on an eligible list. If an open competitive recruitment produces a sufficient number of applicants, the department of personnel, in agreement with the appointing authority, may include an assessment of each applicant’s qualifications as an additional phase of the process of examination if it is included in the public notice. Only those applicants who are considered the most qualified, based on this assessment, may continue in the competition.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, competition in a promotional recruitment is limited to current state employees who:
  - (a) Have served at least 6 months of continuous service (full-time equivalent) in a probationary, special disabled, emergency, provisional or permanent status or any combination of these in the classified service.
  - (b) Are working in the division, department, or state service which is specified in the public notice of recruitment.
3. A former incumbent of a seasonal position who was separated from state service with the status of a permanent employee may apply for a promotional recruitment up to 1 year after the day of separation even though he is not currently employed. The prior appointment must have been in the division, department, or state service which is specified in the public notice of recruitment.
4. An employee who competes in a promotional recruitment may be at a higher grade, the same grade or a lower grade than the grade of the class for which the recruitment is being conducted.

Depending on the grade of the employee, an appointment resulting from a promotional recruitment may be a voluntary demotion, a lateral transfer, or a promotion.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § F, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-14-88; 8-1-91; 7-6-92)

**NAC 284.320 Employee responsible for applying for recruitment.** It is the employee's responsibility to apply for any recruitment for which he is qualified, eligible, and interested. The applicant must provide in the application the information necessary to establish his eligibility for the appointment. Future vacancies may be filled from the results of appropriate prior recruitments.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-28-85)

**NRS 284.210 states in part, "...oral examinations.**

4. An oral examination given pursuant to this section must be:
  - (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, conducted by a panel of which no more than one-third of the members are employed by the department in which a vacancy exists for the position for which the examination is given.
  - (b) Recorded and maintained by the department for:
    - (1) Not less than 2 years after the date of the examination; or
    - (2) Until the final disposition of a charge of discrimination,whichever is longer, and must be available to an affected person upon request.
5. Employees of the department in which a vacancy exists may comprise more than one-third of the members of the panel if:
  - (a) A member who is not such an employee is unable to serve on the panel because of illness or an emergency;
  - (b) The department has more than 1,000 employees; and
  - (c) The department has two or more divisions that administer separate and diverse programs and the employees of the department on the panel are not employed by the same division."

**NRS 284.235 states, "Designation of persons to assist in examinations.** The director may designate appropriate persons, including officers and employees in the public service, to assist in the preparation and rating of examinations. An appointing authority may excuse any employee in his division from his regular duties for the time required for his work as an examiner. Those officers and employees are not entitled to extra pay for their services as examiners, but are entitled to their regular salaries."

**NAC 284.322 Released time for examination.**

1. Upon giving reasonable notice to his immediate supervisor, a qualified employee must be permitted to take an appropriate amount of released time to participate in any examination given by the department of personnel or its designated representative during work hours. Released time is equivalent to time which is worked. The time spent participating in an examination which exceeds the normal workday or work week does not qualify for overtime.

2. For the purpose of this section, the employment interview is considered as part of the examination process.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § G, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.326 Period for filing application.**

1. The department of personnel will, after appropriate consideration of a requesting agency's views, determine the length of the period for filing an application based upon, but not limited to, the number of vacancies and the size and geographic distribution of the anticipated pool of applicants.
2. The department of personnel may postpone, cancel, or extend any recruitment by giving appropriate notice thereof.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § H, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.330 Continuous recruitment.**

1. The department of personnel may conduct recruitments and administer examinations in order to provide the names of eligible persons on a continuous basis.
2. The names of eligible persons who took the same or a comparable examination on different dates may be certified to the appointing authority on a continuous basis.
3. Eligibility from a continuous recruitment exists from the date of the examination.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § I, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.334 Notice of recruitment. (NRS 284.105, 284.155)**

1. Notice of each recruitment will be given. Dissemination of the notice may be limited to the appropriate agencies and employees when the recruitment is strictly promotional.
2. Notice will include the title, pay or grade, filing period and location. It may also include, or on promotional recruitments must include, information relating to:
  - (a) The special conditions of employment, if applicable;
  - (b) The duties and responsibilities of the class or position;
  - (c) The minimum qualifications; and
  - (d) The type of examination, relative weights assigned to the parts thereof and the subjects to be covered,and other related matters.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § J, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; R147-01, 1-22-2002)



**NAC 284.338 Minimum passing scores; computation of final scores.**

1. The passing score for placement on an eligible list will be determined by the department of personnel based on a consideration of the difficulty of the test, the quality of the competition, and the needs of the service.
2. The final earned score will be determined by computing the score on each phase of the examination according to the relative weights which are assigned.
3. Unless otherwise specified in the notice of recruitment, a competitor must pass each phase of the examination to proceed to the next phase of the examination. Each competitor must obtain a final passing score exclusive of preferences for residents or veterans.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § K, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.340 Retaking examinations.**

1. An applicant may retake an examination after 60 days have elapsed from the date of the previous examination if:
  - (a) The department of personnel is recruiting for the class which was the subject of the previous examination; and
  - (b) The applicant meets the conditions of the recruitment.
2. An applicant may retake an examination before 60 days have elapsed from the date of the previous examination if the department of personnel is recruiting for the class which was the subject of the previous examination, the applicant meets the conditions of the recruitment and:
  - (a) The applicant has demonstrated that he has gained additional qualifications which indicate that he may be able to improve his score on the training and experience portion of the examination; or
  - (b) The examination is a measure of the applicant's manual skill or physical agility.
3. When an applicant retakes an examination, the score of the most recent examination will determine eligibility.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 11-16-95)

**NRS 284.260 states, “Veterans’ preferences: Additional credits on examination.**

1. In establishing the lists of eligible persons, certain preferences must be allowed for veterans not dishonorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States. For disabled veterans, 10 points must be added to the passing grade achieved on the examination. For ex-servicemen and women who have not suffered disabilities, and for the widows and widowers of veterans, 5 points must be added to the passing grade achieved on the examination.
2. Any person qualifying for preference points pursuant to subsection 1 is entitled to have the points applied to any open competitive examination in the classified service, but only to one promotional examination.
3. For the purposes of this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed to “eligible veteran” in 38 U.S.C. § 4211.”

**NAC 284.342 Veterans’ preferences.**

1. To receive preference points on a promotional examination pursuant to NRS 284.260, an employee must designate the examination to which the points must be applied at the time he submits his application. When the recruitment is limited to promotional candidates only, the placement of an employee’s name on a list exhausts the veterans’ preference points of the employee for all future promotional examinations.
2. An applicant must declare his intention to request a veteran’s preference before the examination. Proof of eligibility for preference as a veteran must be submitted no later than the last day on which the applicant takes the last phase of the ranking portion of the examination.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § L, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NRS 284.253 states, “Preference on list for residents of Nevada.** In establishing the lists of eligible persons, a preference must be allowed for persons who reside in this state at the time the examination is completed. Five points must be added to the passing grade achieved on the examination. For the purposes of this section, the person examined must reside physically within the state. If any person absents himself from the state with the intention in good faith to return without delay and continue his residence, the time of the absence must not be considered in determining the fact of his residence.”

**NAC 284.346 Review of examination.**

1. Within 10 working days after the date of the postmark on a notification of a grade pertaining to a written examination, an oral examination, or an examination conducted by a center for assessment, a candidate or a representative he has designated by a signed authorization card may review the results of the candidate’s examination as follows:
  - (a) If the examination was written:
    - (1) The department of personnel will review with the candidate or his representative the cover sheet of his examination which lists both the areas of subject matter included in

the written examination and the number of correct and incorrect responses in those areas.

- (2) The candidate or his representative may also review a copy of the questions which he answered incorrectly with the correct answers. This does not apply to written examinations which are copyrighted, standardized, on loan from other jurisdictions, used for more than one class, or used on a continuous basis.
  - (b) If the examination was oral, the department of personnel will review with the candidate or his representative the taped record of the candidate's oral examination. The candidate or his representative may also review general areas of the oral examination in which he gave incorrect answers, the oral questions and the procedures or methods of examination.
  - (c) If the examination was conducted by a center for assessment, the department of personnel will review with the candidate or his representative the final scores or the summary evaluation, or both of them.
2. Items which are reviewed by the department of personnel and found to be incorrect must be revised or eliminated.
  3. In the case of an oral examination, answers suggested as a guideline and board members' remarks and individual ratings are confidential and may not be reviewed by the applicant or his representative.
  4. In the case of an examination conducted by a center for assessment, oral, written, and performance exercises, assessors' remarks and individual ratings are confidential and may not be reviewed by the applicant or his representative.
  5. If the candidate disagrees with and wishes to appeal the results of his examination, he must submit a written grievance to the department of personnel within 10 working days after the review. The grievance must contain the information required in subsection 2 of NAC 284.678. If the candidate is not satisfied with the department of personnel's response, and if he is a state employee, he may file an appeal with the committee.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § N, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-26-83; 10-26-84; 8-28-85; 9-30-88; 11-12-93)

**NAC 284.350 Correction of error in rating, scoring or computing results.**

1. If the department of personnel finds that any error occurred in rating, scoring or computing the results of an examination, the department will make the appropriate correction and place the name of the person on the eligible list in its correct position.
2. If the director or the committee determines that the error was intentional, an appointment previously made from the eligible list may be invalidated.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § O, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NRS 284.215 states, “Examination of persons with disabilities.** A person with a disability must be examined in a manner that fairly tests his ability to perform the duties of the position, notwithstanding his disability.”

**NAC 284.354 Consideration and examination of person with disability.** An appointing authority shall consider a qualified person with a disability for employment in a position if the person meets the minimum qualifications and the established job requirements for the position, successfully competes in the required examination and is otherwise eligible for appointment to the position. The administration of the examination may be modified, if the modification does not alter the reliability of the examination, to test fairly the person’s ability to perform successfully the duties of the position.

[Personnel Div., Rule IV § P, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-6-92)

**NAC 284.355 Effect of filing of grievance.** If a grievance is filed concerning an examination, the director will not fill any vacancy from the list established pursuant to that examination, unless there is an urgent and compelling need.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 8-28-85)

## **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS OF POSITIONS**

**NAC 284.356 Determination by appointing authority.** An appointing authority shall determine the essential functions of a position on a case-by-case basis. An appointing authority shall consider the following factors, without limitation, in making its determination:

1. Whether an employee is currently performing or has performed the function;
2. Whether removing the function would fundamentally alter the position;
3. Whether the position exists to perform the function;
4. The number of other employees available to perform the function;
5. The degree of expertise or skill required to perform the function; and
6. The amount of time spent performing the function.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 7-6-92)

**NAC 284.357 Provision of description to candidates for vacant position; consideration for appointment. (NRS 284.155)**

1. The appointing authority shall provide a description of the essential functions of a position to each candidate who is being considered for a vacant position. The information must be provided in a timely manner to allow a candidate with a disability to determine his need for reasonable accommodation.
2. The appointing authority shall consider the essential functions of the position that have been identified pursuant to NAC 284.356 when determining which candidate will be offered employment. If the disability of a candidate prevents or impedes the performance of one or more of the functions of the position that are not identified as essential, the appointing authority shall not consider those functions when determining which candidate will be offered employment.
3. The provisions of this section apply to all competitive and noncompetitive appointments to classified positions.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 7-6-92; A 10-27-97)

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## LISTS OF ELIGIBLE PERSONS AND CERTIFICATION

### NAC 284.358 Types of lists.

1. The types of lists of eligible persons and the priority for their use are as follows:
  - (a) Reemployment lists.
  - (b) Lists of persons with disabilities who are eligible for temporary limited appointments pursuant to NRS 284.327, at the option of the appointing authority.
  - (c) Transfer lists, at the option of the appointing authority.
  - (d) Divisional promotional lists.
  - (e) Departmental promotional lists.
  - (f) Statewide promotional lists.
  - (g) Lists of persons determined to be eligible from open competitive recruitments.
  - (h) Lists of eligible persons of comparable classes.
2. The names on each list must be used as prescribed in NAC 284.378.
3. The open and promotional lists referred to in paragraphs (d) to (h), inclusive, of subsection 1 must be:
  - (a) Based on the type of recruitment prescribed by the department of personnel; and
  - (b) Described in the notice of recruitment.

The establishment of any other type of list from the initial recruitment must be in accordance with NAC 284.379.

[Personnel Div., Rule V § A, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 4-20-90; 7-6-92)

**NRS 284.265 states, “Notice of new positions and vacancies: Certification of names by director.** Except as otherwise provided in NRS 284.305, appointing authorities shall give notice to the director of their intention to fill any vacancy in the classified service. Except as otherwise provided in this section, within a reasonable time after the receipt of the notice, the director shall certify from the list of eligible persons, appropriate for the grade and class in which the position is classified, the five names at the head thereof. If the competitive examination for that position is scored to the nearest one-hundredth of a point and there are more than five persons having the five highest scores, the names of each of those persons must be so certified.”

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: NRS 284.172 states, “List of positions in classified service primarily performing data processing; approval of new position or reclassification to position on list.”** may be found preceding NAC 284.126.

**NRS 284.255 states in part, “Appointments to be made from appropriate lists.**

1. Appointments must be made from the appropriate eligible list, but if no such list exists then the director may certify from such other list as he deems the next most appropriate. A new and separate list must be created for a stated position only when there is no satisfactory list.”

**NAC 284.360 Methods of certification; priority of reemployment lists; willingness to accept employment.**

1. Upon a request for certification by an appointing authority, and as provided in NAC 284.362 and 284.364, the names of eligible persons will be:
  - (a) Certified in ranked order on ranked lists;
  - (b) Certified in unranked order on unranked lists; or
  - (c) Certified and forwarded to the appointing authority if the list is waived.
2. Reemployment lists have priority, whether other types of lists for the class are ranked, unranked, or waived.
3. Only an eligible person who has indicated his willingness to accept the location and agency of the vacancy and the other conditions of employment, will be certified.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NRS 284.250 states, “Establishment of list of eligible persons; limitation on term of eligibility.**

1. The director shall prescribe regulations for the establishment of eligible lists for appointment and promotion which must contain the names of successful applicants in the order of their relative excellence in the respective examinations.
2. The term of eligibility of applicants on such lists is 1 year, but the term may be extended by the director to a maximum of 3 years.”

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: NRS 284.410 “False statement or report; fraud.”** may be found preceding NAC 284.738.

**NRS 284.420 “Obstruction of right to examination, eligibility, certification or appointment; furnishing special or secret information.”** may be found preceding NAC 284.738.

**NRS 284.425 “Member of subversive organization ineligible for appointment or employment in public service.”** may be found preceding NAC 284.738.

**NAC 284.362 Order of names on ranked lists; ties.**

1. The names of eligible persons on ranked lists will appear in the order of the total rating which they earned in the examination, including preferences for veterans and residents.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, in promotional examinations, if all other factors result in a tie, it will be broken by seniority in the state service.



3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, in open competitive examinations, ties will be broken by lot.
4. Eligible persons who appear on reemployment lists are ranked in order of seniority. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NAC 284.6017, seniority for placement on a reemployment list will be determined using the criteria governing the determination of seniority for layoff.
5. If a competitive examination is scored to the nearest one-hundredth of a point, a tie will not be broken and the name of each person whose score is tied will be ranked the same and so certified on a ranked list.

[Personnel Div., Rule V § B, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 11-16-95; 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.363 Certification of list of unranked applicants or waiver of list.** The department of personnel may certify a list of eligible applicants who are not ranked or waive the list for:

1. A class which had a maximum salary of \$12,500 or less as of December 31, 1980;
2. A class designated in the classification plan as entry level; or
3. A class where applicants for promotion are not normally available.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 8-28-85)

**NRS 284.155 states, "Regulations for classified service.**

1. The director shall adopt a code of regulations for the classified service which must be approved by the commission.
2. The code must include regulations concerning certifications and appointments for:
  - (a) Positions in classes having a maximum salary of \$12,500 or less as of December 31, 1980, where the regular procedures for examination and certification are impracticable; and
  - (b) Classes where applicants for promotion are not normally available.

These regulations may be different from the regulations concerning certifications and appointments for other positions in the classified service."

**NRS 284.309 states, "Waiver of examination if fewer than five qualified applicants.** If a competitive examination is required for a vacancy and fewer than five qualified applicants respond after extensive efforts at recruitment, the examination may be waived and the director may submit the applications of the qualified applicants without certification to the appointing authority for selection."

**NRS 284.320 states in part, "Appointments requiring exceptional scientific, professional or expert qualifications.**

1. In case of a vacancy in a position where peculiar and exceptional qualifications of a scientific, professional or expert character are required, and upon satisfactory evidence that for specific reasons competition in that case is impracticable, and that the position can best be filled by the selection of some designated person of high and recognized attainments in the required qualities, the director may suspend the requirements of competition.
2. The director may suspend the requirements of competitive examination for positions requiring highly professional qualifications if past experience or current research indicates a difficulty in

recruitment or if the qualifications include a license or certification.”

**NRS 284.327 states, “Temporary limited appointment of persons with disabilities.**

1. To assist persons with disabilities certified by the rehabilitation division of the department of employment, training and rehabilitation, appointing authorities are encouraged and authorized to make temporary limited appointments of certified persons with disabilities for a period not to exceed 700 hours notwithstanding that the positions so filled are continuing positions. A person with a disability who is certified by the rehabilitation division must be placed on the appropriate list for which he is eligible. Each such person must possess the training and experience necessary for the position for which he is certified. The rehabilitation division must be notified of an appointing authority’s request for a list of eligibility on which the names of one or more certified persons with disabilities appear. A temporary limited appointment of a certified person with a disability pursuant to this section constitutes the person’s examination as required by NRS 284.215.
2. The director shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of subsection 1.
3. This section does not deter or prevent appointing authorities from employing:
  - (a) A person with a disability if he is available and eligible for permanent employment.
  - (b) A person with a disability who is employed pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1 in permanent employment if he qualifies for permanent employment before the termination of his temporary limited appointment.
4. If a person appointed pursuant to this section is subsequently appointed to a permanent position during or after the 700-hour period, the 700 hours or portion thereof counts toward the employee’s probationary period.”

**NAC 284.364 Lists of persons with disabilities who are eligible for temporary limited appointments. (NRS 284.155, 284.327)**

1. Pursuant to NRS 284.327, the rehabilitation division of the department of employment, training and rehabilitation will certify to the department of personnel the names of persons with disabilities who are eligible for temporary limited appointments of 700 hours’ duration. Upon receipt from the rehabilitation division of the job applications and job recommendations, the department of personnel will evaluate the information against the job requirements and minimum qualifications of the recommended classes. The names of qualified persons with disabilities will be certified on special unranked lists of persons with disabilities.
2. A current probationary or permanent state employee who occupies a permanent full-time position is not eligible for the provisions of this section unless his disability jeopardizes his continued employment in his present position and placement on the list does not merely circumvent the provisions of this chapter governing promotion or transfer.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 12-26-91; 7-6-92; R098-99, 9-27-99)

**NAC 284.370 Integration of subsequent list; material change in required qualifications. (NRS 284.155, 284.250)**

1. If there has been no material change in the qualification requirements, subject matter, scope or weights of various phases of the examinations, names of persons who become eligible subsequent

to the initial recruitment for the same class may be integrated on ranked lists for subsequent recruitment, according to the final rating of the eligible persons. If the method of certification is that of unranked lists, eligible persons will be integrated in unranked order.

2. If a material change occurs in the qualification requirements, subject matter, scope or weights of various phases of the examinations, eligible persons who appear on a list will be offered the choice of recompeting or integrating their previously established final examination score, but only if they also meet any new qualification requirements. The decision to recompetete cannot be reversed once any phase of the new examination has been taken and the results of the most recent examination will prevail.

[Personnel Div., Rule V § D, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.374 Active lists: Removal and reactivation of names; refusal to consider certain persons.**

1. The names of eligible persons will be removed from the active lists for any of the following causes:
  - (a) Appointment after certification to fill a full-time permanent position in the class for which the examination was given.
  - (b) Expiration of the term of eligibility.
  - (c) Separation of a person who is eligible for promotion from the state service.
  - (d) Failure by an eligible person to respond within the required time to an inquiry of availability.
  - (e) A statement by the eligible person that he is not willing to accept any type of appointment from the eligible list.
  - (f) Any of the causes listed in NRS 284.240, NAC 284.314 or subsection 5 of NAC 284.630.
2. An appointing authority may refuse to consider an eligible person who has been considered by the appointing authority three times from the same list for the same class. Certification to other than full-time permanent positions will not be counted as a certification for the purposes of this subsection.
3. An appointing authority shall refuse to consider an eligible person whose appointment to a position will violate NRS 281.210, NAC 284.375 or a policy approved by the commission pursuant to NAC 284.375.
4. An eligible person whose name has been removed from an active list may request that his name be reactivated by stating his reasons for the request. If the department of personnel determines

that the reasons are justified, and the person's term of eligibility has not otherwise expired, his name may be reactivated.

[Personnel Div., Rule V § E, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-21-89; 12-26-91; 7-1-94; 8-16-96, eff. 10-1-96)

**NAC 284.375 Appointing authority prohibited from appointing related persons under certain circumstances; exceptions. (NRS 284.155)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and NRS 281.210, an appointing authority shall not appoint a person to a position in the classified service on or after:
  - (a) October 1, 1996, if, upon his appointment, the person will be the immediate supervisor, or will be in the direct line of authority, of:
    - (1) A spouse, child, parent or sibling of the person;
    - (2) The spouse of a child, parent or sibling of the person; or
    - (3) An aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, grandparent, grandchild or first cousin of the person.
  - (b) September 6, 2001, if, upon his appointment, the person will be the immediate supervisor, or will be in the direct line of authority, of a person with whom he is in a dating relationship.
2. An appointing authority may adopt a written policy authorizing the appointment of persons to a position or class of positions that would otherwise violate the provisions of subsection 1 if the appointing authority determines that, for the positions for which the policy applies, the enforcement of the provisions of subsection 1 will be impracticable and cause an undue hardship to the appointing authority. In making this determination, the appointing authority may consider, among other factors, the difficulty in recruiting applicants for the positions for which the policy applies.
3. A written policy adopted pursuant to subsection 2:
  - (a) Must not violate the provisions of NRS 281.210; and
  - (b) Is not effective unless approved by the commission.
4. Upon the approval by the commission of a written policy adopted by the appointing authority pursuant to this section, the appointing authority shall provide a copy of the policy to each employee who is appointed to a position for which the policy applies.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, 8-16-96, eff. 10-1-96; A by R058-01, 9-6-2001)

**NAC 284.377 Persons who become related after appointment: Appointing authority required to take corrective action; notification of appointing authority required. (NRS 284.155)**

1. Except for relationships allowed pursuant to NRS 281.210 and NAC 284.375, if a supervisor and an employee who is in the direct line of authority of the supervisor become related or involved in a dating relationship after the supervisor and employee have been appointed to their respective positions, the appointing authority shall ensure that, as soon as practicable, the employees do not continue to hold positions in which one of the employees is in the direct line of authority of the other employee.
2. A supervisor who becomes related to, or involved in a dating relationship with, an employee in the direct line of authority of the supervisor shall notify the appointing authority within 10 working days after the supervisor and employee become related or involved in the dating relationship.

3. Upon receiving notification of a relationship from a supervisor pursuant to subsection 2, the appointing authority shall request from each of the employees involved a recommendation for action to be taken to ensure that the employees do not continue to hold positions in which one of the employees is in the direct line of authority of the other employee.
4. In determining the manner in which to comply with the provisions of subsection 1, the appointing authority is not required to accept a recommendation for action to be taken submitted pursuant to this section.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, 8-16-96, eff. 10-1-96; A by R058-01, 9-6-2001)

**NAC 284.378 Use of lists and consideration of eligible persons. (NRS 284.155, 284.250)** When using lists of persons who are eligible and considering eligible persons who have been certified, the following conditions apply:

1. When a reemployment list is certified:
  - (a) Eligible persons who are available for appointment and who are certified on reemployment lists, other than seasonal reemployment lists, must be hired in the order in which they appear unless the appointing authority, upon submitting written justification, obtains the written concurrence of the governor to deviate from the order of priority or to hire from another list. The appointing authority must make the written justification available for examination by affected persons or their designated representatives.
  - (b) A person who receives a written offer of reemployment must accept or refuse the offer within 3 business days after the offer is received. If an offer of reemployment is mailed to a person, he must accept or refuse the offer within 6 days after the date of the postmark on the letter containing the offer. The failure to accept the offer within the prescribed time constitutes a refusal of the offer.
2. The appointing authority may request selective certification for a particular position if the normal method of certification does not provide candidates qualified to perform the duties of the position satisfactorily. Where selective certification is necessary, the appointing authority must furnish in writing the special requirements peculiar to the position and his reasons therefor. If the facts and reasons justify such a method of selection, the department of personnel may certify the highest ranking eligible persons who possess the special qualifications. Determination of special qualifications may require circularization of eligible persons before certification can be made.
3. Certification of only eligible persons who are the same sex will not be made unless there is clear evidence that the duties assigned could be performed efficiently only by the sex specified.
4. Authorization for selective certification will be made on an individual basis and, with the exception of clerical positions requiring typing, shorthand, or word processing, database or spreadsheet skills, subsequently reported to the commission at their next regular meeting.
5. When using ranked lists other than those for reemployment, the appointing authority must attempt to communicate, as provided in NAC 284.382, with persons in the first five ranks to determine their availability and qualifications. The names on each type of list must be considered before names from the next succeeding list. If there are fewer than five ranks with persons who are available for appointment on a given list and the appointing authority requests a full complement of five ranks, the name or names at the top of the next succeeding list must be combined with those on the preceding list to establish five eligible ranks with persons who are available for

appointment. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, all competitive appointments from ranked lists must be made from the persons who:

- (a) Are in a rank of persons who received the five highest scores on the examination; and
  - (b) Are available for appointment.
6. If the list is unranked or waived, the appointing authority must attempt to communicate, as provided in NAC 284.382, with at least five eligible persons he deems most qualified based upon a review of their respective qualifications as they relate to the position or class, or with all of the eligible persons if there are five or less. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1, any eligible person who is certified from an unranked or waived list may be appointed.
7. If persons from fewer than five ranks of eligible persons are willing to accept appointment:
- (a) The appointing authority may make an appointment from among those remaining available eligible persons.
  - (b) Certification and appointment may be made from other appropriate lists, including lists of higher grades as determined by the department of personnel. The names from other lists will follow those which have been certified, if any, from the original lists.
  - (c) A new recruitment may be conducted.
  - (d) A provisional appointment may be made only if the requirements of NAC 284.406 are met.

[Personnel Div., Rule V § F, eff. 8-11-73; A 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-21-89; 11-16-95; 11-16-95; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.379 Use of promotional list after initial recruitment; combining open and promotional lists; establishment of list from open competitive list; use of list in which order changed.**

1. If a promotional list of eligible persons is used to fill a vacancy after the initial recruitment:
- (a) The recruitment which created the list must have been open to employees of the appointing authority which requests the list; and
  - (b) The order of names must be changed to reflect the priority prescribed by NAC 284.358.
2. Certification may be made from the names highest on the list after promotional or promotional and open lists for the class are combined if either of the following occurs:
- (a) The appointing authority certifies in writing to the department of personnel that, in accordance with the provisions of NAC 284.297, it is in the best interest of the agency to expand the certification to allow eligible persons from other groups to be considered on the basis of merit.
  - (b) One or more promotional lists exist for a class which otherwise qualifies for open competition because the class is designated in the classification plan as entry level or is one which normally has a lack of promotional candidates.

If lists are combined, the names on the list must be in order of merit.

3. At the request of an appointing authority, one or more promotional lists must be established from an existing open competitive list and certified for a vacancy.
4. A list of eligible persons established from a recruitment in which the order of priority was changed must not be certified in that order for a new vacancy unless the appointing authority complies with

the provisions of paragraph (a) of subsection 2. These names will be used to establish one or more lists as may be appropriate.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 6-18-86; A 4-20-90)

**NAC 284.380 Correction of error in certification.** If the department of personnel finds that an error occurred which resulted in a failure to properly certify a name to an agency, the department will take appropriate action to correct the error. The correction will not invalidate any appointment which was previously made from the certification except as provided in NAC 284.350.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.382 Inquiry of availability.**

1. While an eligible person may be contacted to determine his availability, no attempt may be made to obtain a waiver in order to alter the ranking of any person on the list.
2. Every eligible person must respond to an inquiry of availability within:
  - (a) Six days after an inquiry by mail has been postmarked;
  - (b) Forty-eight hours after an inquiry by telegram has been sent;
  - (c) Twenty-four hours after a written inquiry is hand-delivered; or
  - (d) Twenty-four hours after an oral inquiry has been made.
3. An exception to a time limit may be granted by the originating agency.

[Personnel Div., Rule V § G, eff. 8-11-73; A 4-4-78]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NRS 284.240 states, "Grounds for refusal to examine or certify.** The director may refuse to examine an applicant or, after examination, may refuse to certify an eligible person who comes under any of the following categories:

1. Lacks any of the preliminary requirements established for the examination for the position or employment for which he applies.
2. Is addicted to the use of habit-forming drugs.
3. Is an habitual user of intoxicating liquors to excess.
4. Has been guilty of any crime involving moral turpitude or of infamous or notoriously disgraceful conduct.

5. Has been dismissed from the public service for delinquency or misconduct.
6. Has made a false statement of any material fact.
7. Has, directly or indirectly, given, rendered or paid, or promised to give, render or pay, any money, service or other valuable thing to any person for, or on account of, or in connection with, his examination, appointment or proposed appointment.
8. Has practiced, or attempted to practice, any deception or fraud in his application, in his certificate, in his examination, or in securing his eligibility or appointment.”

**NRS 284.245 states, “Statement of director upon refusal to examine or certify; appeal to commission.**

1. When the director refuses to examine an applicant or, after an examination, refuses to certify an eligible person, the applicant or eligible person may request the director to furnish to him a statement of the reasons for the refusal to examine or the refusal to certify, as the case may be. The director shall furnish the statement upon request.
2. If the director refuses to examine an applicant or, after an examination, refuses to certify an eligible person, that person may take an appeal to the commission in accordance with regulations adopted by the commission. If the commission finds that the director is in error in refusing to examine an applicant or in refusing to certify an eligible person, the commission shall order the director to examine or certify, and he shall comply.”



## APPOINTMENTS

**NRS 281.210 states in part “Officers of state, political subdivision and University and Community College System of Nevada prohibited from employing relatives; exceptions; penalties.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, it is unlawful for any person acting as a school trustee, state, township, municipal or county officer, or as an employing authority of the University and Community College System of Nevada, any school district or of the state, any town, city or county, or for any state or local board, agency or commission, elected or appointed, to employ in any capacity on behalf of the State of Nevada, or any county, township, municipality or school district thereof, or the University and Community College System of Nevada, any relative of such a person or of any member of such a board, agency or commission who is within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity.
2. This section does not apply:
  - (a) To school districts, when the teacher or other school employee is not related to more than one of the trustees or person who is an employing authority by consanguinity or affinity and receives a unanimous vote of all members of the board of trustees and approval by the state department of education.
  - (b) To school districts, when the teacher or other school employee has been employed by an abolished school district or educational district, which constitutes a part of the employing county school district, and the county school district for 4 years or more before April 1, 1957.
  - (c) To the spouse of the warden of an institution or manager of a facility of the department of corrections.
  - (d) To the spouse of the superintendent of the Caliente youth center.
  - (e) To relatives of blind officers and employees of the bureau of services to the blind and visually impaired of the rehabilitation division of the department of employment, training and rehabilitation when those relatives are employed as automobile drivers for those officers and employees.
  - (f) To relatives of a member of a town board of a town whose population is less than 300.”

**NRS 284.285 states, “Report of appointing authority.** Each appointing authority shall report to the director forthwith in writing upon any appointment or employment in the public service, which report must contain:

1. The name of the appointee or employee.
2. The title and character of his office or employment.
3. The date of commencement of service.
4. The salary or compensation.”

**NRS 284.305 states, “Provisions and regulations for filling positions in classified service without competition.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, positions in the classified service may be filled without competition only as provided in NRS 284.155, 284.307, 284.309, 284.310, 284.315, 284.320, 284.325, 284.327, 284.330, 284.375 and 284.3775.
2. The director may adopt regulations which provide for filling positions in the classified service without competition in cases involving:
  - (a) The demotion of a current employee;
  - (b) The reemployment of a current or former employee who was or will be adversely affected by layoff, military service, reclassification or a permanent partial disability arising out of and in the course of his employment; or
  - (c) The reappointment of a current employee.”

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: NRS 613.333 “Unlawful employment practices: Discrimination for lawful use of any product outside premises of employer which does not adversely affect job performance or safety of other employees.”** may be found preceding NAC 284.638.

**NRS 284.415 states, “Receipt or payment of consideration for appointment or promotion.** No person shall, directly or indirectly, give, render, pay, offer, solicit or accept any money, service or other valuable consideration for or on account of any appointment, proposed appointment, promotion or proposed promotion to, or any advantage in, a position in the classified service.”

**NAC 284.383 Reports of appointments.** Reports of appointments must also include the type of position, the type of appointment, and the employee’s status of appointment as follows:

1. The type of classified position, which may be:
  - (a) Permanent;
  - (b) Special project;
  - (c) Temporary;
  - (d) Seasonal; or
  - (e) Intermittent.
2. The type of appointment to a classified position which may be:
  - (a) Demotion;
  - (b) Reemployment;
  - (c) Transfer;
  - (d) Reappointment;
  - (e) Promotion;
  - (f) Reinstatement; or
  - (g) New hire.
3. The status of appointment in a classified position which may be:

- (a) Probationary for a nonpermanent employee;
  - (b) Permanent;
  - (c) Trial period for a permanent employee;
  - (d) Provisional;
  - (e) Emergency;
  - (f) Temporary; or
  - (g) Special disabled.
4. In the unclassified service, the type of position, type of appointment, and status of appointment are each “unclassified.”

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-28-85; 8-1-91; 7-6-92)

**NRS 284.295 states, “Vacancy filled by promotion; eligibility; competitive examinations.**

1. Vacancies in positions must be filled, so far as practicable, by promotion within a department or agency from among persons holding positions in the classified service. Promotions must be based upon merit and fitness, to be ascertained in accordance with regulations established by the director. In such regulations the employee’s efficiency, character, conduct and length of service must all constitute factors. For the purposes of this subsection, a person employed by the legislative branch of government pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 284.3775 shall be deemed to hold the position he held before the legislative session.
2. Eligibility for promotion must be determined on recommendation of the appointing authority and certification by the director that the employee meets the minimum requirements and demonstrates his qualifications in accordance with regulations established by the director.
3. The director may provide, in specific cases, for competitive promotional examinations among employees of departments other than that in which a particular vacancy in a higher classification may exist.
4. An advancement in rank or grade or an increase in salary beyond the maximum fixed for the class constitutes a promotion.”

**NAC 284.384 Probationary and permanent appointments.**

1. If an appointment requires a probationary period, the employee’s status of appointment is:
  - (a) Probationary if he is a nonpermanent employee; or
  - (b) Trial period if he is a permanent employee.
2. An employee’s status of appointment is permanent when:
  - (a) He has successfully completed the probationary period for a class; or
  - (b) His appointment did not require a probationary period and he does not hold another type of status of appointment.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-1-91)

**NRS 284.254 states, “Preference on list for person separated from service because agency terminated.** In establishing lists of eligible persons, a preference must be allowed for each person in the classified service who has been separated from the service because the agency by which he was employed was terminated pursuant to NRS 232B.100.”

**NRS 284.380 states in part, “Layoffs; reemployment lists.**

4. The name of every regular employee so laid off must be placed on an appropriate reemployment list.”

**NAC 284.385 Reemployment. (NRS 284.155)**

1. Reemployment is a type of appointment which does not result in a break in service and other benefits as provided in this chapter.
2. The types of reemployment and the authority for these types are as follows:
  - (a) Military reemployment entitles the person to the same or similar class within the department in which he was previously employed when the provisions of 38 U.S.C. §§ 4301 to 4307, inclusive, are met.
  - (b) Layoff reemployment, when a layoff has occurred pursuant to NRS 284.254 or 284.380, entitles the permanent employees who are affected to appointment to the class and option from which they were laid off, throughout the state service, and to other classes as provided in subsection 2 of NAC 284.390 and in NAC 284.630.
  - (c) Reemployment, when a position is reclassified to a lower grade, entitles the person to the class, option and department when the provisions of NAC 284.140 are met.
  - (d) Seasonal reemployment allows former seasonal employees to be reemployed when the provisions in NAC 284.434 are met.
  - (e) Reemployment because an employee sustained a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work entitles the person to reemployment by the department with which the employee was employed at the time he sustained his permanent disability as determined pursuant to NAC 284.6013 and within the same class and option as his regular position or in another class as provided in NAC 284.6014.
3. The grade of the class at which a person is reemployed cannot exceed the current grade of the class he formerly held.
4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, an employee may not be reemployed in a position allocated at grade 30 or higher if that position is at a higher grade than the position the employee held before attaining reemployment rights.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 10-18-89; 8-1-91; 3-1-96; 10-27-97)

**NRS 284.330 states, “Reinstatement of permanent appointee after separation without prejudice.** Any person who has held a position by permanent appointment in the classified service under the law and rules, and who has been separated from the service without prejudice, may be eligible for reinstatement to a position in the same or similar grade or class in the classified service, subject to the rules and regulations established in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.”

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: NRS 286.440 “Redeposit of withdrawn contributions upon return to service: Procedure.”** may be found preceding NAC 284.611.

**NAC 284.386 Separation without prejudice; reinstatement. (NRS 284.155)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an appointing authority may reinstate an employee within a 2-year period following his termination of employment if he was separated without prejudice. A separation without prejudice must be determined by the appointing authority in accordance with the standards contained in NRS 284.240. If an employee is laid off and is entitled to have his name appear on a reemployment list pursuant to NAC 284.630, the appointing authority may reinstate the employee within 2 years after the date on which his right to reemployment expires.
2. The grade of the class to which a person is reinstated cannot exceed the current grade of the class he formerly held.
3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person may not be reinstated in a position allocated at grade 30 or higher if that position is at a higher grade than the position the person formerly held.
4. A reinstatement to a similar class requires the approval by the department of personnel before the appointing authority may make a commitment to reinstate.
5. The person seeking a reinstatement must provide a new application to the appointing authority.
6. The person must meet the current minimum qualifications for the class for which the reinstatement is sought or for a similar class.
7. It is the responsibility of a person seeking the reinstatement to make his interest known to the hiring agencies.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI § C, eff. 8-11-73; A 10-10-76]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 8-26-83; 10-26-84; 10-18-89; 11-12-93; 10-27-97)

**NRS 284.375 states, (Transfers) “Conditions.** In accordance with regulations established by the director, transfers in the classified service may be made from a position in one grade or class to a position in another grade or class when the duties and compensation are similar and when such action is specifically approved by the director.”

**NAC 284.390 Transfers: Generally. (NRS 284.155)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an appointing authority may, after giving 5 working days' notice, transfer for the convenience of the state any employee from one position to another position in the same or a related class. The notice need not be given if the transfer does not exceed 10 working days. If a bona fide or justifiable emergency exists, a transfer may be made immediately with the prior approval of the department of personnel. This may not be used to harass or discipline an employee.
2. Any permanent employee required to transfer to a different geographical location, as defined in NAC 284.612, who declines the transfer has the same rights provided in NAC 284.630 as an employee who is laid off.
3. Upon the request of an employee, he may transfer from a position under the jurisdiction of one appointing authority to a position under the jurisdiction of another appointing authority if the positions are in the same or related class. The position to which the employee is being transferred may be in a location different from that from which he is being transferred.
4. A transfer of an employee to a position in a related class may require the completion of an application by the employee to determine his qualifications. An employee may not transfer through noncompetitive means to a position allocated at grade 30 or higher if that position is at a higher grade than the position the employee currently occupies.
5. A transfer may not be made to harass or discipline an employee.
6. An employee who desires a transfer to a position in his current class must make his interest known to:
  - (a) The hiring agency, following its procedures for transfer;
  - (b) The department of personnel by requesting, on a form provided by the department of personnel, that his name be placed on the appropriate list; or
  - (c) Both the hiring agency and the department of personnel.
7. An employee who desires a transfer to a position in a related class must make his interest known to the hiring agency.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI § D subsecs. 1-4, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-26-83; 10-26-84; 6-18-86; 7-21-89; 8-1-91; 10-27-97)

**NRS 284.376 states, "Involuntary transfer; hearing; remedies.**

1. Within 10 working days after the effective date of his transfer pursuant to the provisions of NRS 284.375, a permanent classified employee who has been transferred without his consent may request in writing a hearing before the hearing officer of the department to determine whether the transfer was made for the purpose of harassing the employee. The request may be made by mail and shall be deemed timely if it is postmarked within 10 working days after the effective date of the employee's transfer. The hearing must be conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in NRS 284.390 to 284.405, inclusive.

2. If the hearing officer determines that the transfer was made for the purpose of harassing the employee, the transfer must be set aside and the employee must be returned to his former position. If the transfer caused the employee to be away from his original headquarters, the employee is entitled to be paid expense allowances as provided in NRS 281.160 for the period the transfer was in effect.
3. The decision of the hearing officer is binding on the parties.”

**NAC 284.394 Appeal of involuntary transfer.**

1. If an employee requests a hearing to protest an involuntary transfer pursuant to NRS 284.376, the appointing authority may temporarily assign, on a per diem basis, the employee to transfer pending disposition of the appeal.
2. An employee who has been involuntarily transferred is entitled to receive, upon request, a total of up to 8 hours of administrative leave to prepare for all hearings which relate to the involuntary transfer.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI § D subsec. 5, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-18-89)

**NRS 284.360 states in part, “Leave of absence without pay.**

1. Any person holding a permanent position in the classified service may be granted a leave of absence without pay. Leave of absence may be granted to any person holding a position in the classified service to permit acceptance of an appointive position in the unclassified service. Leave of absence must be granted to any person holding a position in the classified service to permit acceptance of a position in the legislative branch during a regular or special session of the legislature, including a reasonable period before and after the session if the entire period of employment in the legislative branch is continuous.”

**NRS 284.3775 states, “Transfer of employee of supreme court, unclassified service or legislative branch to classified service; exceptions; rights of employee in classified service who accepted position in legislative branch.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, employees of the supreme court, employees in the unclassified service of the executive branch of the government of the State of Nevada, or employees of the legislative branch of the government of the State of Nevada who have served for 4 consecutive months or more are entitled to transfer to a position having similar duties and compensation in the classified service of the state on the same basis as employees may transfer within the classified service from a position under one appointing authority to a position under another appointing authority. The benefit conferred by this subsection includes any exemption from the taking of a competitive examination, retention of credits for annual and sick leave and longevity, and priority on the lists of eligible persons to the extent that such privileges are accorded to employees transferring within the classified service.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, the benefits conferred by subsection 1 do not apply to an employee in the unclassified service who is the chief officer of a department or division.
3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection 4, a person may not transfer pursuant to subsection 1 to a class composed of:

- (a) Professionally qualified persons; or
- (b) Officers and administrators who set broad policies and exercise responsibility for the execution of those policies.

A person may transfer to a class described in paragraph (a) or (b) if that class is provided for pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 284.155.

- 4. The restrictions provided in subsections 2 and 3 do not apply to an employee of the supreme court, an employee in the unclassified service of the executive branch of government or an employee of the legislative branch of government whose appointment to that position was immediately preceded by an appointment in the classified service, except that such an employee may only transfer to a position in the classified service that has duties and compensation that are similar either to his current position or to a position he previously held in the classified service.
- 5. An employee in the classified service of the state who is granted leave without pay to accept a position in the legislative branch of government during a regular or special session:
  - (a) Is entitled to be restored to his previous position in the classified service upon the completion of the legislative session without loss of seniority or benefits. Seniority must be calculated as if he had not taken the leave.
  - (b) Is eligible to fill vacancies in positions within the classified service to the extent that he would be eligible if he was not on leave from his position in the classified service.
- 6. An employee of the legislative branch of the government of the State of Nevada who is employed at the conclusion of a regular session of the legislature and is eligible at that time pursuant to subsection 1 to transfer to a position having similar duties and compensation in the classified service of the state may transfer to such a position on or before November 1 following session notwithstanding the termination of his employment with the legislative branch of government before that date. For the purposes of this section, the weekly compensation of a person paid a daily salary during a legislative session is seven times the daily salary.”

**NAC 284.398 Transfers to classified service; certain transfers to unclassified service. (NRS 284.022, 284.150, 284.155)**

- 1. An unclassified employee who has less than 4 months of service and whose appointment was immediately preceded by an appointment in the classified service in which the person was a permanent employee may transfer back into the classified service under the same conditions and with the same benefits as classified employees, except that the duties and compensation of the position to which the person is transferred must be similar, as determined by the department of personnel, to either the unclassified position or to a previously held classified position.
- 2. Employees of any governmental agency which is acquired for administration by the state pursuant to NRS 284.022 may transfer into the classified service or unclassified service with the rights and benefits authorized by the legislature.
- 3. An employee who transfers into the classified service:
  - (a) Must complete an application and meet the minimum requirements for qualification to the class of the position to which he is transferring;



(b) Must have his date of transfer and appointment to the classified position effective immediately following the last day of employment in the unclassified or nonclassified position unless he was employed as a legislative employee at the conclusion of a regular session of the legislature to whom subsection 6 of NRS 284.3775 applies; and

(c) May retain the credits which he has earned for annual and sick leave and longevity.

4. A transfer of an employee to a similar class requires the approval of the department of personnel.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI § D subsec. 6, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-14-88; 1-22-90; 8-1-91; 3-23-94; R146-01, 1-18-2002)

**NAC 284.400 Acceptance of new appointment notice to current appointing authority.** An employee under the jurisdiction of one appointing authority who accepts an appointment to a position under the jurisdiction of another appointing authority shall provide not less than 2 weeks' written notice to his current appointing authority before beginning service in the new position, unless the employee and both appointing authorities mutually agree to a shorter period of notice.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.402 Voluntary demotions. (NRS 284.155)**

1. An employee may request or accept a demotion to a position in a class with a lower grade. The demotion may be permitted if the employee meets the minimum qualifications and if the appointing authority approves.
2. An employee may not be demoted through noncompetitive means to attain a position allocated at grade 30 or higher if that position is at a higher grade than the position the employee currently occupies.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI § E, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 10-27-97)

**NAC 284.404 Reappointment. (NRS 284.155)**

1. An employee may be reappointed to a class he formerly held or to a comparable class if he meets the current minimum qualifications and the appointing authority approves.
2. An employee who desires reappointment must make his interest known to the hiring agency.
3. The grade of the class to which an employee is reappointed must not exceed the current grade of the class he formerly held.
4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, an employee may not be reappointed to a position allocated at grade 30 or higher if that position is at a higher grade than the position the employee formerly held.
5. The department of personnel must approve reappointment to a comparable class.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-1-91; 10-27-97)

**NRS 284.310 states, "Provisional appointment.**

1. Whenever there are urgent reasons for filling a vacancy in any position in the classified service and the director is unable to certify from any appropriate eligible list for the vacancy, the director may issue a provisional permit or certify a suitable person to fill the vacancy provisionally only until a selection and appointment can be made after competitive examination.

2. No person may receive more than one provisional appointment or serve more than 6 months in any 12-month period as a provisional appointee.
3. A provisional appointee must meet the minimum qualifications established for the class of positions involved.”

**NAC 284.406 Provisional appointments.**

1. An appointing authority may make an appointment pursuant to NRS 284.310 if:
  - (a) There are fewer than four ranks of eligible persons available for appointment to the position; and
  - (b) The authority obtains the prior approval of the department of personnel. If approved, the department of personnel will begin the recruitment within 30 days after the effective date of the appointment.
2. The status of appointment of an employee appointed pursuant to this section is that of provisional.
3. An appointing authority shall not continue to employ an employee with provisional status for longer than 30 days after a recruitment has produced five or more ranks of eligible persons who are available for appointment to the position.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI § G, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 11-16-95)

**NRS 284.315 states, “Emergency appointment.** In case of an emergency, an appointment may be made without regard to the provisions of this chapter relative to appointments, but in no case shall such appointment continue longer than 60 working days in any 12-month period.”

**NAC 284.410 Emergency appointments.**

1. An appointing authority may make an appointment pursuant to NRS 284.315 when the appointment is necessary to prevent the stoppage of public business, loss of life, or extensive damage to persons or property.
2. The status of appointment of an employee appointed pursuant to this section is that of emergency.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI § H, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NRS 284.325 states, “Temporary appointment.**

1. The director shall adopt regulations not inconsistent with this section for the certification of qualified persons for temporary service.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, temporary positions which occur, terminate or recur periodically must be filled by certification in accordance with the regulations established by the director.
3. An agency may appoint persons temporarily for less than 160 cumulative hours during any calendar year without regard to the regulations adopted by the director pursuant to subsection 1.

4. The limitation on hours set forth in subsection 3 does not apply to temporary or part-time service by:
  - (a) A pupil attending his last 2 years of high school;
  - (b) A student employed by the college or university he attends;
  - (c) A person certified for temporary service in accordance with NRS 284.327;
  - (d) An employee of an events center, museum or research center of the University and Community College System of Nevada;
  - (e) A person employed by the University and Community College System of Nevada in a temporary position which recurs periodically for the registration of students; or
  - (f) A person employed by the University and Community College System of Nevada to provide such assistance to a student with a disability or to a student with an identified academic disadvantage as it determines is necessary for the academic success of the student, including, without limitation, a person employed as a tutor, note taker, reader, sign interpreter or test proctor.
5. The acceptance or refusal by an eligible person of a temporary appointment does not affect his standing on the register for permanent employment, nor may the period of temporary service be counted as part of the probationary period in case of subsequent appointment to a permanent position.
6. Successive temporary appointments to the same position must not be made under this section.
7. As used in this section, "student with an identified academic disadvantage" includes, without limitation, a student who the University and Community College System of Nevada has determined requires the services of a tutor for success in a course of study."

**NAC 284.414 Temporary appointments. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.325)**

1. A temporary appointment must not exceed 6 months in any 12-month period unless the appointment is authorized as a replacement for an employee who is receiving benefits for temporary total disability pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or 617 of NRS. The appointing authority shall indicate the probable duration of employment on its request for certification. Upon receipt of this request, the department will certify the names of eligible persons from the appropriate eligible list who have noted that they will accept employment for the duration of the employment indicated.
2. Service under a temporary appointment immediately preceding appointment to a permanent position must be credited towards annual leave and merit pay increases. Sick leave may be earned for each month of service pursuant to NRS 284.355.
3. A special temporary appointment to a position within the University and Community College System of Nevada may not be used to fill regularly budgeted positions. Such appointments may be made without regard to the rules on certification or appointment and may be made on forms and under procedures prescribed by the University and Community College System of Nevada and approved by the department. Time served under a special temporary appointment pursuant to this subsection may be credited towards annual leave, sick leave or merit pay increases if the temporary appointment is immediately followed by a probationary or a permanent appointment.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI § I, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 7-22-87; 7-21-89; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NRS 284.317 states, “Appointment of persons with disabilities.** In order to further the efforts of the State of Nevada toward alleviating the problems of persons with disabilities, full consideration must be given to the employment of a person with a disability for a position if he is capable of meeting the necessary performance requirements with or without reasonable accommodations.”

**NRS 284.327 states, “Temporary limited appointment of persons with disabilities.**

1. To assist persons with disabilities certified by the rehabilitation division of the department of employment, training and rehabilitation, appointing authorities are encouraged and authorized to make temporary limited appointments of certified persons with disabilities for a period not to exceed 700 hours notwithstanding that the positions so filled are continuing positions. A person with a disability who is certified by the rehabilitation division must be placed on the appropriate list for which he is eligible. Each such person must possess the training and experience necessary for the position for which he is certified. The rehabilitation division must be notified of an appointing authority's request for a list of eligibility on which the names of one or more certified persons with disabilities appear. A temporary limited appointment of a certified person with a disability pursuant to this section constitutes the person's examination as required by NRS 284.215.
2. The director shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of subsection 1.
3. This section does not deter or prevent appointing authorities from employing:
  - (a) A person with a disability if he is available and eligible for permanent employment.
  - (b) A person with a disability who is employed pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1 in permanent employment if he qualifies for permanent employment before the termination of his temporary limited appointment.
4. If a person appointed pursuant to this section is subsequently appointed to a permanent position during or after the 700-hour period, the 700 hours or portion thereof counts toward the employee's probationary period.”

**NAC 284.416 Temporary limited appointment of persons with disabilities.** The status of the appointment of an employee appointed pursuant to NRS 284.327 is that of special disabled.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 7-6-92)

**NAC 284.434 Seasonal positions.**

1. An appointment to a seasonal position may not exceed 9 months (full-time equivalent) in any 12-month period. A separation from a seasonal position which is a result of the lack of money or the lack of work must be made in accordance with NAC 284.608.
2. In filling a seasonal position, persons eligible for seasonal reemployment must be offered employment in the order they appear on the reemployment list before another type of list of eligible persons may be used.
3. Reemployment rights extending 1 year from the date of a seasonal employee's date of separation:

- (a) Must be granted if the employee has permanent employee status; or
  - (b) May be granted, at the discretion of the appointing authority, if the employee does not have permanent employee status,
- if the employee's last performance report was standard or better.
- 4. For the purposes of this section, a person's right to reemployment is limited to a seasonal position in the same class, option, and department in which he last worked, except that an appointing authority may:
    - (a) Reemploy a former employee who held a seasonal position in another department if he is otherwise eligible.
    - (b) Reemploy a former employee who held a seasonal position in a comparable class if he is otherwise eligible and the department of personnel approves.
  - 5. To be eligible for reemployment the former employee must notify the agency, in writing, stating the locations where he seeks reemployment, and he must be available for the entire term of employment.
  - 6. Seasonal reemployment lists must be maintained by the employing department, taking into account the provisions in subsection 4 of NAC 284.362 and subsections 3, 4 and 5 of this section.
  - 7. An incumbent in a seasonal position may not be transferred or otherwise appointed to a permanent position unless the appointment is made pursuant to this chapter.
  - 8. An incumbent in a permanent position may request a seasonal position. By the voluntary acceptance of a seasonal position, an employee gives up any right to return to his former permanent position but, if eligible, may be reappointed.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI part § J, eff. 3-3-77]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-1-91; 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.436 Intermittent positions.**

1. An intermittent position is one that is filled by a person who may be called to work at any time, is used to supplement the agency's full-time staff and whose compensation is separately identified in the budget of the agency.
2. An appointing authority may only hire an employee for an intermittent position which, because of unforeseen and unpredictable changes in the amount of work, cannot be included in the budget as a permanent full-time employee.
3. If an employee in an intermittent position is a permanent employee, he must be given a minimum of 1 week's notice of any layoff.
4. A permanent employee in an intermittent position has a right of reemployment if his last performance evaluation was standard or better. That right is based on the same formula as that used for other employees except that it extends only to the cost center or division from which his employment was terminated. This right must not operate to the detriment of a permanent full-time employee.
5. An employee hired for an intermittent position may not underfill a position budgeted other than intermittent.
6. As used in this section, "cost center" means an organizational unit or group of organizational units within the employment security division.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 8-28-85; A 8-1-91)

**NAC 284.437 Underfilling of positions.**

1. Except as provided in subsection 4, before a position may be underfilled it must be approved in writing by the department of personnel. The department of personnel will not approve a position to be underfilled if there are five or more persons eligible for the vacancy on the appropriate list who are available for appointment.
2. If a position is approved to be underfilled, the department of personnel will begin a recruitment for the class of the position unless a recruitment within 12 months before the approval failed to produce sufficient applicants on the appropriate list.
3. The position may not continue to be underfilled for more than 30 working days after five or more names of eligible persons who are available for appointment are certified to the appointing authority.
4. Subsections 1, 2, and 3 do not apply to the underfilling of a position:
  - (a) If the position is authorized at or below the journey level and an employee fills that position in a class which is a training or intermediate level preparatory to promotion;
  - (b) If an employee's position is reclassified pursuant to NAC 284.138; or
  - (c) If an appointing authority has requested and received approval from the department of personnel to underfill a position because money is not available and that fact has been certified by the chief of the budget division of the department of administration or, in the

case of an agency which is not funded from the general fund or the University and Community College System of Nevada, by the administrator of that agency or system.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 8-28-85)

**NRS 284.307 states, “Automatic advancement of person in training or preparatory position.** An employee who holds a position classified as a training or preparatory position may advance automatically to a position having a higher classification after he meets the minimum qualifications for the higher classification and receives the recommendation of the appointing authority for that advancement.”

**NAC 284.4375 Automatic advancement. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. For the purposes of this section, “automatic advancement” or “automatically advanced” means the progression of an employee to the authorized grade of the position, but not exceeding the journey level. Automatic advancement occurs without recruitment and may occur without examination. It is based upon the employee’s:
  - (a) Meeting minimum qualifications;
  - (b) Satisfactory performance; and
  - (c) Endorsement by his appointing authority.
2. In determining the status of an employee who has been automatically advanced:
  - (a) The provisions in subsection 2 of NAC 284.170, governing an employee’s pay on promotion, apply.
  - (b) If the employee had attained permanent status in the class from which he was automatically advanced, he retains that status in the new class.
  - (c) If the employee had not attained permanent status in the class from which he was automatically advanced, he must remain in probationary status in the new class until he has worked in that class for a period equal to the remaining portion of the probationary period that is required for the new class.

[Personnel Div., Rule I § C subsec. 23, eff. 4-14-76; + Rule III part § G, eff. 8-11-73; A 4-14-76]—  
(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-21-89; 11-16-95; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.438 Positions created by temporary projects.**

1. An employee hired for a project of limited duration will not be afforded rights relating to layoffs at the end of the funding period if, in the judgment of the appointing authority, there is no assurance of refunding. If the appointing authority determines that these rights are in the best interest of state government, he may so designate all appointments as having these rights on the appointment document.
2. Such an employee may be reinstated if he is eligible for this right. Details concerning temporary funding, time limits, and layoffs must be included on the original appointment document and at each successive time the project is renewed.

3. A project originally designated as including or as not including rights relating to layoffs may not be redesignated upon refunding unless the funding status of the project has changed.

[Personnel Div., Rule VI § L, eff. 8-11-73; A 3-15-76]

**NRS 284.145 states. “Appointment to position in unclassified service from registers of eligible persons.** Officers authorized by law to make appointments to positions in the unclassified service and appointing officers of departments or institutions whose employees are exempt from the provisions of this chapter may make appointments from appropriate registers of eligible persons maintained by the department without affecting the continuance of the names on the list.”



## PROBATIONARY PERIODS

### **NRS 284.290 states in part, “Probationary period...”**

1. All original competitive appointments to and promotions within the classified service must be for a fixed probationary period of 6 months, except that a longer period not exceeding 1 year may be established for classes of positions in which the nature of the work requires a longer period for proper evaluation of performance.”

**NAC 284.442 Length of probationary period. (NRS 284.155, 284.290)** All classes at grade 20 or higher must be assigned a 1-year (full-time equivalent) probationary period. All classes lower than grade 20 will be assigned a 6-month (full-time equivalent) probationary period.

[Personnel Div., Rule VIII § A part subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73; A 7-3-76]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; R146-01, 1-18-2002)

**NAC 284.443 Trial periods.** Any probationary period that is required of a permanent employee because of a promotion to a vacant position is a “trial period” and must be so recorded on the appointment document.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-1-91; 12-26-91)

### **NAC 284.444 Adjustment of probationary period.**

1. A probationary employee who transfers:
  - (a) Within the same class must serve the remaining portion of the probationary period.
  - (b) From one class to another class must serve a new probationary period.
2. An employee who transfers from the unclassified or nonclassified service to the classified service must serve a new probationary period. Except for those unclassified employees who transfer pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 284.398, the status of a permanent employee may not be attained until the satisfactory completion of the probationary period.
3. An employee who is reinstated must serve a new probationary period unless it is waived in writing by the appointing authority. If an appointing authority waives the probationary period, the status of the appointment of the employee is permanent.
4. A probationary employee who is reappointed must serve a new probationary period.
5. A permanent employee who is reappointed to a class:
  - (a) At a higher grade level must serve a trial period unless it is waived by the appointing authority.
  - (b) At the same grade level or a lower grade level is not required to serve a probationary period.
6. An employee who is laid off, but who is reemployed within 1 year, must serve a new probationary period if he is reemployed in a different class or in a different department than that from which he was laid off and he is subject to the provisions of subsection 6 of NAC 284.630.

7. A person with a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work who is reemployed in a different class or option than his regular position must serve a new probationary period as required by NAC 284.6018.
8. A person who is entitled to reemployment because of his military service is entitled to return to the status of appointment held at the time of his separation from the state service for military purposes. If the employee did not complete the probationary period, he will only be required to complete the remaining portion thereof.
9. Promotion to a vacant position requires a new probationary period. Promotions which result from reclassification are governed by NAC 284.134 and 284.138.
10. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 11:
  - (a) No probationary period will be required if a permanent employee is demoted.
  - (b) A new probationary period will be required if a probationary employee is demoted.
11. An employee who is restored to his former position pursuant to NAC 284.462 following a promotional appointment must serve the portion of his probationary period which was remaining at the time of his promotion.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 7-21-89; 8-1-91; 12-26-91; 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.446 Time counted toward completion of probationary period.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4 and in NAC 284.4375, a probationary employee must perform his duties continuously in the classified service for either 6 months or 1 year (full-time equivalent) as required for the class in which he is employed to attain permanent status.
2. Service in provisional, emergency, or special disabled status must be credited towards a probationary period if it is immediately followed by probationary or permanent status in the same class.
3. Service in a seasonal position must be credited towards the probationary period for the class.
4. If an employee of a governmental agency transfers to the classified service pursuant to NRS 284.022 and subsection 2 of NAC 284.398, the time which he spent in the comparable class in the governmental agency counts toward the probationary period which is required for the state class. If the employee has satisfactorily completed the equivalent of the state's probationary period for the new class, the employee is entitled to transfer with permanent status. All continuous service which is equivalent to full-time employment in the governmental agency before the transfer counts towards permanent employee status.

[Personnel Div., Rule VIII § A part subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73; A 7-3-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 1-22-90; 8-1-91; 7-6-92; 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.448 Time not counted toward completion of probationary period. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.290)** The following types of leave or temporary status do not count toward the completion of any probationary period:

1. Authorized military leave for active service.
2. Authorized military leave for training beyond the 15 paid working days in any 1 calendar year.
3. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.580, any leave without pay and catastrophic leave, combined, in excess of 240 hours or, in the case of an exempt classified employee, 30 working

days, which began during the year following the date of appointment of such an employee if the regular work schedule of the employee is 80 hours or less biweekly. If the regular work schedule of an employee is more than 80 hours biweekly, the employee must be allotted additional leave without pay and catastrophic leave in proportion to the number of hours his regular work schedule exceeds 80 hours biweekly.

4. Time which is served in a temporary position pursuant to NAC 284.414.
5. Any hours worked which exceed 40 in a week.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 5-27-86; 3-27-92; 9-16-92; 11-16-95; 3-1-96; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.450 Extension of probationary period.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.448, if a probationary employee has not, during his prescribed probationary period, worked the required number of months (full-time equivalent) which are established for the probationary period for the class, his probationary period must be extended until he has worked the required number of months.
2. An employee who changes from working full time to part time or the reverse will have his probationary period adjusted to equal the required number of months of service which are applicable to the probationary period of the class.

[Personnel Div., Rule VIII § A part subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 3-1-96)

**NRS 284.290 states in part, “Probationary period; dismissal or demotion.**

2. Dismissals or demotions may be made at any time during the probationary period in accordance with regulations established by the director.”

**NAC 284.458 Rejection of probationary employees.**

1. During a probationary period, an employee may be rejected for any lawful reason, as determined by his appointing authority. An employee rejected pursuant to this subsection has no appeal rights.
2. An employee who is serving a trial period may not use the grievance procedure set forth in NAC 284.658 to 284.6957, inclusive, to appeal the decision by the appointing authority to reject the employee during his probationary period.
3. A probationary period does not create a contractual relationship between the employee and employer.
4. If a report of separation is not received by the employee or the department of personnel by the close of business on the last day of the probationary period, the employee is considered to have satisfactorily completed the probationary period and acquired permanent status.

[Personnel Div., Rule VIII § C subsecs. 1-3, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 10-18-89; 11-12-93; 11-16-95)

**NRS 284.300 states, “Restoration of promotional appointee who fails to attain permanent status.**

1. Any promotional appointee who fails to attain permanent status in the position to which he was promoted, or who is dismissed for cause other than misconduct or delinquency on his part from the position to which he was promoted, either during the probationary period or at the conclusion thereof by reason of the failure of the appointing authority to file a request for his continuance in the position, shall be restored to the position from which he was promoted.
2. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prevent any employee of the classified service from competing for places upon lists of persons eligible for original appointments.”

**NAC 284.462 Restoration of promoted employee to former position.**

1. For the purposes of this section only, “promotion” means any movement into a vacant position which has a higher grade than the position previously occupied by a classified employee who has served 6 months of continuous (full-time equivalent) service.
2. An employee promoted pursuant to subsection 1 who fails to attain permanent status in the position to which he was promoted or who is dismissed for a cause other than misconduct or delinquency on his part from the position to which he was promoted, either during the probationary period or at its conclusion, must be restored to the position from which he was promoted.
3. If an employee fails to attain permanent status and is restored to his former position, the appointing authority which is effecting the restoration must give written notice to the agency from which the employee was promoted at least 30 calendar days before the effective date. The agency which is taking action to restore the employee to his former position is liable for the payment of the employee during this 30-day period unless the agency to which the employee is being restored agrees to accept the employee before the expiration of that period. An employee does not gain permanent status if a report of separation or notice of intent to restore an employee to his former position has been provided to the employee and filed with the department of personnel on or before the last day of his probationary period, even though the separation or restoration takes place after the last day of the probationary period.
4. A demotion from probationary status in a higher class to the former lower level class may not be appealed.

[Personnel Div., Rule VIII § C subsec. 4, eff. 8-11-73; A 4-14-76]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-21-89)

## REPORTS ON PERFORMANCE

### **NRS 284.335 states in part, “Standards; records and ratings for service.**

1. The appointing authorities and other supervising officers of the various state departments, agencies and institutions, after consultation with the director, shall establish standards of work performance for each class of positions. Each appointing authority shall provide each of its employees with a copy of the standards for his position.
2. The director shall:
  - (a) Maintain service records of performance efficiency, character and conduct by a system of service ratings based upon those standards.
  - (b) Establish regulations with respect to service ratings, and prescribe the extent to which service ratings must be considered in determining the advisability of transfers, the promotion of an employee to a higher class, the question of demotion or dismissal of any employee, increases and decreases in salary of an employee within the salary range established under this chapter, and in all other decisions relating to the status of employees.”

### **NAC 284.468 Standards for performance of work.**

1. A standard for the performance of work is a written statement of the principal assignments and responsibilities of an employee and the results expected by both the supervisor and subordinate when the subordinate’s job is satisfactorily performed under existing working conditions. Standards are required for all classified positions.
2. The appointing authority is responsible for ensuring that each position has standards and that each employee is evaluated using those standards. The supervisor has the primary responsibility for establishing the standards, but the employee must be involved in the initial establishment and the periodic updating of the standards for his position.
3. Standards must be reviewed annually and amended when appropriate.
4. Each employee must be provided with a copy of the standards for his position.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-28-85)

### **NRS 284.337 states, “Reports: Duties of supervisor.** An employee whose duties include the supervision of an employee who holds a position in the classified service shall:

1. For filing at the times specified in NRS 284.340, prepare reports on the performance of that employee. In preparing a report, he shall meet with the employee to discuss goals and objectives, to evaluate the employee’s improvement in performance and personal development, and to discuss the report.
2. Provide the employee with a copy of the report.
3. Transmit the report to the appointing authority.”

### **NRS 284.340 states, “Reports: Duties of appointing authority.** Each appointing authority shall:

1. Report to the director, in writing, the efficiency of his subordinates and employees, and other

information, in such manner as the director may prescribe by regulation.

2. File reports with the director on the performance, during the probationary period, of each of his employees who holds a position in the classified service. A report must be filed at the end of the 2nd and 5th months of employment if the probationary period is 6 months, or at the end of the 3rd, 7th and 11th months of employment if the probationary period is 12 months.
3. File a report annually with the director on the performance of each of his employees who holds a position in the classified service and has attained permanent status. The report must be filed at the end of the 12th month next following the attainment of permanent status, and at the end of every 12th month thereafter. If the report is not filed on or before the required date, the performance of the employee shall be deemed to be standard.
4. If any report he files with the director on the performance of an employee who holds a position in the classified service includes a rating of substandard, file with the director an additional report on the performance of the employee at least every 90 days until the performance improves to standard or until any disciplinary action is taken.
5. Provide the employee with a copy of each report filed.”

**NAC 284.470 Preparation and discussion of reports; request for review. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.335, 284.338, 284.340)**

1. A person shall not complete a report on performance unless he has completed the training provided or approved by the director concerning the preparation of a report on performance.
2. A report on performance must be prepared on the form prescribed by the department of personnel.
3. When a report on performance is given which reports the rating of performance of an employee as substandard, it must contain a written notice that such reports affect both merit pay increases and the employee's eligibility for longevity pay. More frequent reports may be made in the supervisor's discretion.
4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the preparation of each report on performance must include a discussion between the employee and his immediate supervisor. Within 10 working days after the discussion takes place:
  - (a) If the employee agrees with the report on performance, he must complete and sign the appropriate section on the report on performance and return the report to his supervisor for forwarding to the appointing authority; or
  - (b) If the employee disagrees with the report on performance and requests a review, he must respond to the report in writing and identify the specific points of disagreement, if such specificity is provided. The reviewing officer shall respond to the employee in writing within 10 working days after the supervisor or other person designated by the agency to receive such requests receives the request.
5. If an employee is unavailable for a discussion of the report on performance pursuant to subsection 4 because of an extended absence, the immediate supervisor of the employee shall cause the report to be mailed to the employee. If the employee agrees with the report on performance, he must complete and sign the appropriate section on the report and mail the report to his supervisor for forwarding to the appointing authority within 10 working days after the date on which the employee received the report. If the employee disagrees with the report on performance and

requests a review, he must respond to the report in writing and identify any specific point of disagreement, if the report provides such specificity. The employee must mail his response to his supervisor within 10 working days after the date on which the employee received the report. The reviewing officer shall respond to the employee in writing within 10 working days after the supervisor or other person designated by the agency to receive such a request receives the request for review from the employee. For the purposes of this subsection, a report on performance or request for review is deemed to have been received on the third day after the date on which the report or request is postmarked.

6. A copy of each report on performance must be filed with the department of personnel.
7. An employee and his appointing authority may agree in writing to extend one or more of the periods prescribed in subsection 4 or 5.
8. If a reviewing officer fails to respond to a request for review from an employee within the time required by this section, the employee may institute the procedure for the adjustment of a grievance pursuant to NAC 284.658 to 284.695, inclusive.

[Personnel Div., Rule IX § A, eff. 8-11-73; A 12-28-75]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 9-17-87; 10-18-89; 11-16-95; R031-98, 4-17-98; A by Personnel Comm'n by R065-98, 7-24-98; A by Dep't of Personnel by R197-99, 1-26-2000; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.474 Employee entitled to copy of report.** Each employee must be given a copy of the report prepared by the supervisor measuring his performance and development on the job. The report will not become official until signed by the rater. If requested, a copy must be provided to the employee at the time of the discussion between the supervisor and the employee. After the processing has been completed, a copy with all appropriate signatures will be provided the employee.

[Personnel Div., Rule IX § C, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.478 Appeal of decision of reviewing officer. (NRS 284.155, 284.384)** A permanent employee may appeal a decision of a reviewing officer pursuant to NAC 284.470 through the procedure for the adjustment of a grievance pursuant to NAC 284.658 to 284.695, inclusive.

[Personnel Div., Rule IX § D, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-18-89; R197-99, 1-26-2000)

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## TRAINING AND EDUCATION

**NRS 284.343 states, “Stipends for training and educational leave for employees: Regulations; exceptions; restrictions; grants.**

1. After consultation with appointing authorities, and in cooperation with the state board of examiners, the director shall prescribe regulations for all training of employees in the state service. Professional employees of the teaching staff, agricultural extension service and agricultural experiment station staffs of the University and Community College System of Nevada, or any other state institution of learning and student employees of such an institution are exempt from the provisions of this section.
2. The regulations so prescribed must set forth the conditions under which educational leave stipends may be paid to any officer or employee of the state. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 612.230 and with the exception of intermittent course work not leading to the awarding of a degree, no person may be granted educational leave stipends until he has entered into a contract with his employing agency whereby he agrees to pursue only those courses required for a degree related to his employment with the state and to return to the employ of his employing agency on the basis of 1 year for each 9 months of educational leave taken or to refund the total amount of the stipends regardless of the balance at the time of separation.
3. This section does not prevent the granting of sabbatical leaves by the board of regents of the University of Nevada.
4. Where practicable all training for state employees must be presented through established educational institutions within the state.
5. The department shall coordinate all training activities related to remedial programs and programs for career development designed to correct educational and training deficiencies of state employees and create employment opportunities for the disadvantaged. In connection with these activities the department, with the approval of the governor, is designated to enter into contractual arrangements with the Federal Government and others that provide grants or other money for educational and training activities.”

**NAC 284.482 Types of training.** Each employee is responsible for improving his own professional competence. The employing agency shall, within budgetary constraints, complement the employee's own efforts by providing the following kinds of training:

1. Training which is beneficial to the agency's operation or is required by the state, the appointing authority, or the Federal Government.
2. Training which is needed to enable the employee to meet the standards of performance for his position.
3. Training which is needed to update the employee's skills, knowledge, and techniques of his current position.

[Personnel Div., Rule X § B, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.484 Release time or leave to attend training. (NRS 284.343, 284.345)**

1. When training is required by the appointing authority, the authority must grant release time to attend the training. Release time is considered time worked. The agency is responsible for any overtime earned as a result of such training.
2. When training is requested by the employee, the appointing authority may:
  - (a) Grant the employee release time, but not overtime;
  - (b) Require the employee to take approved leave for the work time spent to attend the training; or
  - (c) Deny the request. Approval must not be unreasonably withheld and reasons for denial must be provided the employee in writing.

In making the determination to approve or deny training pursuant to this subsection, the appointing authority must consider the appropriateness of the training in accordance with NAC 284.485.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A by R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.485 Criteria for approving or denying training or education requested. (NRS 284.343, 284.345)** In determining whether to approve or deny training or education requested by an employee, an appointing authority shall consider whether the training or education:

1. Is required by or related to the job of the employee;
2. Is relevant to the prospective duties of the employee; or
3. Is a benefit to both the agency and the employee participating by:
  - (a) Preparing the agency and employee for technological and legal developments;
  - (b) Increasing the work capabilities of the agency and employee;
  - (c) Increasing the number of qualified employees in areas for which the agency has difficulty in recruiting or retaining employees; or
  - (d) Increasing the professional competence of the employees of the agency

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel by R082-00, eff. 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.486 Money for training to be used to produce greatest benefit in relation to cost of training. (NRS 284.343)** Money for training must be used to produce the greatest benefit in relation to the cost of the training. This requirement applies to money which is administered by the department of personnel and to money which is administered by other agencies.

[Personnel Div., Rule X § C, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.490 Reimbursement or prepayment for training or education. (NRS 284.343)**

1. If an employee receives approval to take training or education that he requested to take, including, without limitation, a course or workshop:
  - (a) The employing agency may reimburse the employee for the expense of the training or education only after his successful completion of the training; or

- (b) The employing agency may elect to prepay the cost of the training or education.
- 2. An employing agency may enter into an agreement with an employee requiring the employee to repay any money paid to him or on his behalf for the cost of training or education if:
  - (a) The employee fails to complete the training successfully; or
  - (b) Within 1 year after the successful completion of training or education that is not required by his job, the employee terminates his employment with the agency.

Any repayment from wages owed to the employing agency must not be taken from any payment for overtime owed to the employee and must not reduce the pay of the employee below the minimum wage required by federal law.

- 3. For the purposes of this section, “successful completion of training and education” means:
  - (a) Receiving a grade of C or better;
  - (b) Receiving a passing grade if the students are designated only as passing or failing the course;
  - (c) Receiving a certificate of completion; or
  - (d) Receiving other evidence of completion as predetermined by the appointing authority.

[Personnel Div., Rule X § D, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.494 Request for training.** A request for training to be provided by the department of personnel must be completed on a form provided by the department of personnel and approved before the training is begun if:

- 1. The cost involved will be charged to the budgetary category for training; or
- 2. Release time from the employee’s regular job will be granted for the training.

[Personnel Div., Rule X § E, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 5-27-86)

**NRS 284.338 states, “Reports: Training in proper preparation.** An employee who is required to prepare a report on the performance of an employee who holds a position in the classified service must, before he prepares the report, have received training in its proper preparation. The training must be:

- 1. Provided within 6 months of the employee’s appointment; and
- 2. Provided or approved by the director.”

**NAC 284.498 Training of supervisory employee. (NRS 284.155, 284.343)**

- 1. When an agency initially appoints an employee to a supervisory position, the employee shall take at least 5 days of training in subjects related to supervisory functions within 6 months after being appointed. The department encourages all training which prepares the employee for that position. The appointing authority, at its discretion, may accept, in lieu of the training required by this subsection, supervisory training taken by the employee during the 2 years preceding his appointment.
- 2. An appointing authority may require a supervisor to complete the training, retake any part or all of the training, or take additional training as deemed necessary.

3. To meet the training requirements of this section, the employee may take training from:
  - (a) The employee's agency;
  - (b) A formal training program;
  - (c) The department; or
  - (d) Any combination of paragraphs (a), (b) and (c).
4. The training described in subsection 1 must include training concerning the preparation of a report on performance.
5. When the employee completes the training concerning the preparation of a report on performance, the appointing authority shall send proof of completion to the personnel records section of the department of personnel.
6. In addition to the training required by this section, the employee shall take training concerning:
  - (a) A drug-free workplace, which is offered or approved by the department of personnel.
  - (b) Equal employment opportunity. The employee shall take at least 6 hours of training in this subject.

[Personnel Div., Rule X part § F, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 5-27-86; 10-18-89; 3-23-94; R197-99, 1-26-2000)

**NAC 284.502 Training of managerial employees.**

1. When an agency initially appoints an employee to a managerial position, that employee shall take at least 5 days of training in subjects related to managerial functions within 1 year after being appointed. The department encourages all training which will prepare the employee for that position. The appointing authority, in its discretion, may accept, in lieu of the training required by this subsection, training taken by the employee during the 2 years preceding his appointment.
2. This requirement may be met by successfully completing managerial training in a manner similar to that prescribed for supervisory training.
3. In addition to the training required by this section, the employee, if he has not already done so, shall take training concerning:
  - (a) The preparation of a report on performance. If the employee is required to complete this training, the appointing authority shall, upon completion of the training, send proof of completion to the personnel records section of the department of personnel.
  - (b) A drug-free workplace, which is offered or approved by the department of personnel.
  - (c) Equal employment opportunity. The employee shall take at least 6 hours of training in this subject.
4. As used in this section, "managerial position" means a position which is categorized as "official" or "administrator" in the classification plan and is held by an employee who:
  - (a) Formally evaluates supervisors;
  - (b) Is involved in the hiring and firing of employees;
  - (c) Is accountable for a budget; and
  - (d) Establishes policies which affect the performance or behavior of a staff.

[Personnel Div., Rule X part § F, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 3-23-94)

**NAC 284.504 Certification of employees who prepare forms for records or payroll sections of department of personnel.**

1. An employee of the state who performs the work involving the preparation of forms for the records or payroll sections of the department of personnel must be certified in the preparation of forms and the procedures which are used in the respective sections. The certification must be obtained within 6 months of the employee's appointment to the position and is accomplished by the employee's attendance at the appropriate training class which is offered by the department of personnel.
2. Continued certification requires biennial attendance at a department of personnel's sponsored class in payroll and records procedures.
3. The appointing authority and the supervisor of an employee described in subsection 1 are responsible for ensuring that the employee complies with the provisions of subsections 1 and 2.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 7-14-88)

**NAC 284.506 Responsibilities of administrative services section of department of personnel.** The responsibilities of the administrative services section of the department of personnel include:

1. Reviewing the training records of state agencies which have approved training to check for compliance with NRS 284.343 and NAC 284.482 to 284.522, inclusive.
2. Providing consultative services, when requested, to assist state agencies in assessing the needs for training, developing training plans, and establishing systems of records for training.
3. Providing training which applies throughout the state and specialized training which is based on the expertise and resources available.
4. Making recommendations for the improvement of an agency's training program when requested.
5. Reviewing requests for training and making the final approval or disapproval for training provided, paid for or coordinated by the department of personnel.

[Personnel Div., Rule X § G, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.510 Responsibilities of appointing authorities.** The responsibilities of the appointing authority of each state agency include:

1. Ensuring that its training activities comply with the provisions of NRS 284.343 and NAC 284.482 to 284.522, inclusive.
2. Ensuring that sufficient money is available before approving training requests.
3. Making the final approval or disapproval of requests for training except for training provided, paid for or coordinated by the department of personnel.
4. Ensuring that the agency's training program is based on a systematic approach.
5. Providing training opportunities for all job categories in the agency.
6. Ensuring that a system exists for evaluating the effectiveness of training activities.
7. Keeping adequate statistical records of training activities.

[Personnel Div., Rule X § H, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.514 Educational leave stipends. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.343)**

1. A stipend for an educational leave of up to three-fourths of an employee's base rate of pay may be paid if money is available for that purpose and the course of study meets the requirements set forth in NAC 284.485.
2. An employee's request for such a stipend must be endorsed by his appointing authority and be accompanied by a copy of the employee's agreement to return to work for the state. The request will be reviewed, and a recommendation made, by the department of personnel. Before the employee is given the stipend to engage in the proposed college program, his request must be approved by the state board of examiners.
3. An agency may not have more than 2 percent of its full-time work force receiving such a stipend at any one time except that an agency with less than 50 full-time employees may have one employee receiving such a stipend.

[Personnel Div., Rule X § I, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; R082-00, 8-2-2000; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.518 Requirements for educational leave stipends.** With the exception of intermittent course work not leading to the awarding of a degree, no person may be granted a stipend for an educational leave until he has, in addition to fulfilling the requirements set forth in NRS 284.343:

1. Completed 1 year of continuous employment in the state service; and
2. Agreed to return to the agency within 30 working days after the completion of the course.

[Personnel Div., Rule X § J, eff. 1-18-82]

**NAC 284.522 Right to appeal. (NRS 284.345)** Except in a matter concerning stipends for educational leaves as to which a decision of the state board of examiners is final, any appeal concerning a matter under NAC 284.482 to 284.522, inclusive, must be made in accordance with the grievance procedure set forth in NAC 284.658 to 284.695, inclusive.

[Personnel Div., Rule X § K, eff. 1-18-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel by R082-00, 8-2-2000)

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**NAC 284.523 Definitions. (NRS 284.345)** As used in NAC 284.523 to 284.598, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC 284.5231 to 284.5239, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A by R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.5231 "Care" defined.** "Care" means the care that is provided when an employee:

1. Provides psychological comfort and reassurance to his spouse, child or parent with a serious health condition who is receiving inpatient or home care;
2. Substitutes for another person who is caring for the employee's spouse, child or parent who has a serious health condition;
3. Makes arrangements for any change in the care of his spouse, child or parent with a serious health condition; or
4. Provides physical or psychological care to his spouse, child, parent or other member of his immediate family, who is unable to provide for his own:
  - (a) Basic medical, hygienic or nutritional needs;
  - (b) Safety; or
  - (c) Transportation to a provider of health care.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.52315 "Child" defined.** "Child" means a person who is:

1. A biological, adopted or foster child, a stepchild, a legal ward or the child of a person with the daily responsibility of caring for and financially supporting that child; and
2. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.5235, under 18 years of age or is 18 years of age or older and incapable of caring for himself because of a mental or physical disability.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94)

**NAC 284.5232 "Continuing treatment" defined.** "Continuing treatment" means:

1. Two or more treatments received from a provider of health care if the treatment normally requires a visit to the office of the provider of health care or a nurse or physician assistant who is under the direct supervision of the provider of health care;
2. Two or more treatments received from a provider of health care services, such as a physical therapist, under the orders of, or referred by, a provider of health care;
3. At least one treatment received from a provider of health care which results in a regimen of continuing treatment under the supervision of a provider of health care;
4. The continuing supervision of, but not necessarily active treatment by, a provider of health care because of a long-term or permanent condition for which treatment may not be effective; or
5. Any combination of treatments described in subsections 1 to 4, inclusive.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.5233 “Eligible employee” defined. (NRS 284.345)** “Eligible employee” means an employee who is eligible for family and medical leave.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A by R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.5234 “Family and medical leave” defined.** “Family and medical leave” means any paid leave or leave of absence without pay which is granted to an eligible employee:

1. For the birth of a child of the employee and the care of that child if the leave is taken during the 12 months immediately following the date of the birth of that child;
2. For the placement of a child through adoption or foster care with the employee if the leave is taken during the 12 months immediately following the date of placement of that child;
3. To care for his spouse, child or parent who has a serious health condition; or
4. Because of a serious health condition of the employee which makes him unable to perform one or more of the essential functions of his position.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.52345 “Family and Medical Leave Act” defined. (NRS 284.345)** “Family and Medical Leave Act” means the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 adopted by reference in NAC 284.581.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R082-00, eff. 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.5235 “Immediate family” defined.** “Immediate family” means:

1. The employee’s parents, spouse, children, regardless of age, brothers, sisters, grandparents, great-grandparents, uncles, aunts, nephews, grandchildren, nieces, great-grandchildren and stepparents; and
2. If they are living in the employee’s household, the employee’s father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandfather-in-law, grandmother-in-law, great-grandfather-in-law, great-grandmother-in-law, uncle-in-law, aunt-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandson-in-law, granddaughter-in-law, nephew-in-law, niece-in-law, great-grandson-in-law and great-granddaughter-in-law.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94)

**NAC 284.5236 “Intermittent leave” defined.** “Intermittent leave” means leave taken in separate periods rather than in one continuous period, because of a single injury or illness.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94)

**NAC 284.5237 “Parent” defined.** “Parent” means the biological parent of an employee or the person who had the daily responsibility of caring for and financially supporting the employee when the employee was a child. The term does not include a parent of the spouse of an employee.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94)

**NAC 284.52375 “Provider of health care” defined. (NRS 284.345)** “Provider of health care” means:

1. A doctor of medicine or osteopathy who is authorized to practice medicine or surgery by the state or country in which the doctor practices.
2. A podiatric physician, a dentist, a clinical psychologist, an optometrist or a chiropractor who is authorized to practice as a podiatric physician, a dentist, a clinical psychologist, an optometrist or a



chiropractor by the state or country in which he practices and who is performing within the scope of his practice as defined by the law of that state or country.

3. A nurse practitioner, nurse midwife or clinical social worker who is authorized to practice as a nurse practitioner, nurse midwife or clinical social worker by the state or country in which he practices and who is performing within the scope of his practice as defined by the law of that state or country.
4. A practitioner in Christian Science who is listed with The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts. The list of practitioners may be obtained from the Christian Science Committee on Publication for Nevada, P.O. Box 92752, Henderson, Nevada 89009, (702) 566-1097, at a cost of \$3.50.
5. A provider of health care, as defined in NRS 629.031, acting within the scope of his license whose certification of the existence of a serious health condition is acceptable to substantiate a claim for benefits under the public employees' benefits program.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A 11-16-95; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.5238 "Reduced leave" defined.** "Reduced leave" means a schedule of leave which reduces the usual number of hours in a work week or workday of an employee.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94)

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: See also 29 C.F.R. §825.114 for explanation of "serious health condition" entitling an employee to FMLA leave.**

**NAC 284.5239 "Serious health condition" defined.**

1. "Serious health condition" means an illness, an injury, or a physical or mental condition which involves:
  - (a) Inpatient care in a hospital, hospice or residential medical care facility, including any period of incapacity or any subsequent treatment in connection with such inpatient care; or
  - (b) Continuing treatment by or under the supervision of a provider of health care for one or more periods of:
    - (1) Incapacity of more than 3 consecutive calendar days, and any subsequent treatment or period of incapacity related to the same condition that also involves continuing treatment.
    - (2) Incapacity because of pregnancy or for prenatal care.
    - (3) Incapacity because of a chronic serious health condition, or treatment for such incapacity. A chronic serious health condition is one that continues over an extended period of time, requires periodic visits for treatment by or under the direct supervision of a health care provider, and which may cause episodic periods of incapacity.
    - (4) Incapacity which is permanent or long-term because of a condition for which treatment may not be effective, but for which the person is under the continuing supervision of a health care provider.

- (5) Absence to receive multiple treatments by or under the direction of a health care provider for restorative surgery after an accident or other injury.
- (6) Absence to receive multiple treatments by or under the direction of a health care provider for a condition that would likely result in a period of incapacity of more than 3 consecutive calendar days in the absence of medical intervention or treatment.

2 The term “serious health condition” does not include:

- (a) Cosmetic treatments which do not require inpatient care and which do not result in medical complications; or
- (b) Minor conditions such as the common cold, flu or an earache which do not result in medical complications.

3. As used in this section, “incapacity” means the inability to work, attend school or perform other regular daily activities because of a serious health condition, including any treatment or recovery period.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A 11-16-95)

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: NRS 281.100 “Hours of service of employees of state and political subdivision; exceptions; penalty.” may be found preceding NAC 284.242.**

**NRS 281.110 states, “State offices to maintain 40-hour work weeks; variable schedules for work week; hours to remain open.**

- 1. The offices of all state officers, departments, boards, commissions and agencies shall:
  - (a) Maintain not less than a 40-hour work week.
  - (b) Be open for the transaction of business at least from 8 a.m. until 12 a.m. and from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. every day of the year, with the exception of Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays. Variable work week scheduling may be required in those agencies where coverage is needed on Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.
- 2. The offices of all state officers, departments, boards, commissions and agencies shall remain open during the noon hour of each regular working day if any such office has more than one person on its staff.”

**NRS 284.180 (innovative workweeks) states in part,**

- “8. An agency may experiment with innovative work weeks upon the approval of the head of the agency and after majority consent of the affected employees. The affected employees are eligible for overtime only after working 40 hours in a work week.”

**NAC 284.524 Work weeks and workdays; periods for rest and meals. (NRS 284.155, 284.345)**

1. The work week for state employees is 40 hours, except that work weeks of a different number of hours may be established to meet the needs of different state agencies in compliance with the provisions of NRS 281.100, 281.110 and 284.180. The workday for a full-time state employee who works a standard or nonstandard work schedule consists of two work periods separated by a 1/2- to 1-hour meal period. Insofar as practicable, the meal period must occur in the middle of the work shift. A rest period of 15 minutes must be granted for each 4-hour period of work and, insofar as practicable, must occur in the middle of the period of work.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, an appointing authority shall provide a meal period and rest period to an employee who has an innovative work schedule during each workday as follows:
  - (a) A 1/2- to 1-hour meal period must be provided during each period of work that exceeds 5 hours. Insofar as practicable, the meal period must occur in the middle of the work shift.
  - (b) A rest period of 15 minutes must be provided for each 4-hour period of work and, insofar as practicable, must occur in the middle of the period of work.
3. The requirement to relieve an employee for a 1/2- to 1-hour meal period does not apply to an employee who receives a paid meal period.
4. The requirement for a rest period does not apply to an employee of:
  - (a) A correctional institution who:
    - (1) Works directly with the inmates at the institution; and
    - (2) Works a straight 8-hour work shift.
  - (b) The division of mental health and developmental services of the department of human resources who:
    - (1) Maintains or monitors the equipment in a heat plant which operates 24 hours a day; and
    - (2) Works a straight 8-hour work shift.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 4-20-90; 8-1-91; 11-12-93; R031-98, 4-17-98; R098-99, 9-27-99)

**NAC 284.525 Reduction of hours by mutual agreement.** By mutual agreement, an appointing authority and an employee may reduce the employee's working hours to less than full time.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.5255 Time sheets. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.345)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, an employee shall provide an accurate accounting of the hours worked and leave used during a pay period on the appropriate form provided by his employer, including, without limitation, the specific times at which his work shifts started and ended. Entries must be made to account for all hours in the pay period, as prescribed by his employer. The employee shall submit the form in a timely manner to his supervisor or the designated representative of the supervisor.
2. An exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee shall provide on the appropriate form an accurate accounting of leave used pursuant to NAC 284.5895.

3. An employee who falsifies his time sheet or who causes or attempts to cause another employee to falsify a time sheet may be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to NAC 284.650.
4. An employee's supervisor is responsible for reviewing the employee's time sheet and verifying the accuracy of all hours worked and leave used by the employee.
5. The supervisor or payroll representative of an employee may change an entry on an employee's time sheet in accordance with the policy for the correction of errors on time sheets of the payroll center that administers the payroll of the agency that employs the employee. If an employee's supervisor or payroll representative changes an entry on the employee's time sheet, including, without limitation, the number of hours that the employee worked, the type of pay requested by the employee or the type of leave that the employee used, the employee must be notified of the change. If the employee contests a change to an entry on his time sheet, the employee is entitled only to his base pay for the work week in question. The contested entry must be resolved as soon as practicable and any adjustment must be made during the next pay period following the resolution of the contested entry.
6. A supervisor who is negligent in reviewing and certifying the accuracy of an employee's time sheet may be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to NAC 284.650.
7. As used in this section, "payroll representative" means a person who is responsible for coordinating the payroll of the agency that employs the employee with the payroll center that administers that payroll.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 11-16-95; A 10-27-97; R031-98, 4-17-98; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: NRS 236.015 "Legal holidays..."** may be found preceding NAC 284.255 "Holidays: Holiday pay."

**NRS 284.350 states, "Annual leave.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2, 3 and 4, an employee in the public service, whether in the classified or unclassified service, is entitled to annual leave with pay of 1 1/4 working days for each month of continuous public service. The annual leave may be cumulative from year to year not to exceed 30 working days. The department may by regulation provide for additional annual leave for long-term employees and for prorated annual leave for part-time employees.
2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any annual leave in excess of 30 working days must be used before January 1 of the year following the year in which the annual leave in excess of 30 working days is accumulated or the amount of annual leave in excess of 30 working days is forfeited on that date. If an employee:
  - (a) On or before October 15, requests permission to take annual leave; and
  - (b) His request for leave is denied in writing for any reason,

he is entitled to payment for any annual leave in excess of 30 working days which he requested to take and which he would otherwise forfeit as the result of the denial of his request, unless the employee has final authority to approve use of his own accrued leave and he received payment pursuant to this subsection for any unused annual leave in excess of 30 working days accumulated during the immediately preceding calendar year. The payment for the employee's unused annual leave must be made to him not later than January 31.

3. Officers and members of the faculty of the University and Community College System of Nevada are entitled to annual leave as provided by the regulations prescribed pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 284.345.
4. The director shall establish by regulation a schedule for the accrual of annual leave for employees who regularly work more than 40 hours per week or 80 hours biweekly. The schedule must provide for the accrual of annual leave at the same rate proportionately as employees who work a 40-hour week accrue annual leave.
5. No elected state officer may be paid for accumulated annual leave upon termination of his service.
6. During the first 6 months of employment of any employee in the public service, annual leave accrues as provided in subsection 1, but no annual leave may be taken during that period.
7. No employee in the public service may be paid for accumulated annual leave upon termination of employment unless he has been employed for 6 months or more.”

**NAC 284.538 Annual leave: Long-term employees. (NRS 284.155, 284.350)**

1. An employee who has completed 10 years or more but less than 15 years of continuous full-time or part-time state service is entitled to accrue up to a maximum of 1 1/2 days of annual leave for each calendar month of full-time service. If an employee has not been in continuous public service, the period before the interruption will not be counted except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.5405.
2. An employee who has completed 15 years or more of continuous full-time or part-time state service is entitled to accrue up to a maximum of 1 3/4 days of annual leave for each calendar month of full-time service. If an employee has not been in continuous public service, the period before the interruption will not be counted except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.5405.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § C, eff. 8-11-73; A 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 3-27-92; 9-16-92; 11-16-95; 10-27-97; R031-98, 4-17-98)

**NRS 281.390 states, “Sick leave of public employees: Election of benefits; amount limited when eligible for benefits for industrial or occupational disease.**

1. When any public employee is eligible at the same time for benefits for temporary total disability pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or 617 of NRS and for any sick leave benefit, he may, by giving notice to his employer, elect to continue to receive his normal salary instead of the benefits pursuant to those chapters until his accrued sick leave time is exhausted. The employer shall notify the insurer that provides industrial insurance for that employer of the election. The employer shall continue to pay the employee his normal salary but charge against the employee’s accrued sick leave time as taken during the pay period an amount which represents the difference between his normal salary and the amount of any benefit for temporary total disability received, exclusive of reimbursement or payment of medical or hospital expenses pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or 617 of NRS for that pay period.
2. When the employee’s accrued sick leave time is exhausted, payment of his normal salary pursuant to subsection 1 must be discontinued and the employer shall promptly notify the insurer that provides industrial insurance for that employer so that it may begin paying the benefits to which the employee is entitled directly to the employee.
3. An employee who declines to make the election provided in subsection 1, may use all or part of the sick leave benefit normally payable to him while directly receiving benefits for temporary total disability pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or 617 of NRS, but the amount of sick leave benefit paid to the employee for any pay period must not exceed the difference between his normal salary and the amount of any benefit received, exclusive of reimbursement or payment of medical or hospital expenses pursuant to those chapters for that pay period.
4. If the amount of the employee’s sick leave benefit is reduced pursuant to subsection 3 below the amount normally payable, the amount of sick leave time charged against the employee as taken during that pay period must be reduced in the same proportion.
5. The public employee may decline to use any or part of the sick leave benefit normally payable to him while receiving benefits pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or 617 of NRS. During that time, the employee must be considered on leave of absence without pay.”

**NAC 284.5385 Annual leave: Leave without pay; catastrophic leave; receipt of benefits for temporary total disability; computation; part-time employees. (NRS 284.175, 284.345, 284.350)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.580, an employee does not accrue annual leave during the time he is on leave without pay or on catastrophic leave.
2. A person who is receiving benefits for a temporary total disability pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or 617 of NRS and makes the election provided in:
  - (a) Subsection 1 or 3 of NRS 281.390, is entitled to accrue annual leave during the period he is receiving those benefits and is being paid an amount of sick leave equal to the difference between his normal pay and the benefits received.
  - (b) Subsection 5 of NRS 281.390, must be placed on leave of absence without pay, unless the employee is on family and medical leave because a serious health condition prevents him from performing one or more of the essential functions of his position. Such an employee

may, while he is on such leave, elect to use his accrued annual leave in lieu of being placed on leave of absence without pay.

3. An employee who does not have enough sick leave to make up the difference between his normal pay and the benefits for a temporary total disability must be placed on leave of absence without pay for the time he is receiving such benefits and the balance of time not covered by sick leave or other paid leave. Such an employee accrues annual leave only for the time he is covered by sick leave or other paid leave. The employee ceases to be on leave of absence without pay when he has exhausted all of his sick leave and is not approved for other leave.
4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NAC 284.5415, to compute the amount of annual leave to which an employee is entitled, an employee must be considered to work not more than 40 hours each week. If an employee occupies more than one position in different departments, he must be considered to work not more than 40 hours each week in each position.
5. A part-time employee is entitled to receive prorated annual leave on the basis of his rate of accrual for the equivalent of 1 month of full-time service.
6. An employee who holds two or more part-time positions in state service may combine the time from all positions to compute the credit toward annual leave.
7. The basis for the computation of the amount of annual leave to which an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee is entitled must not exceed the number of hours authorized in the biennial operating budget of this state for his position.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 12-17-87; 7-14-88; 7-21-89; 8-1-91; 3-27-92; 9-16-92; 11-12-93; 3-23-94; 7-1-94; 11-16-95; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.539 Annual leave: Written request; approval or denial; authorized use. (NRS 284.155, 284.345, 284.350)**

1. Except as otherwise provided by the Family and Medical Leave Act, an appointing authority shall determine the time when annual leave is taken after considering the needs of the service and the seniority and wishes of the employee. Annual leave may not be granted in excess of the accumulated annual leave.
2. If an employee submits a written request for annual leave at least 60 days in advance, it must be honored except for good and sufficient reason. The approval or denial must be in writing within 15 workdays after receipt by the appointing authority of the written request for leave. The appointing authority may not prohibit an employee from using at least 5 consecutive days of annual leave in any calendar year.
3. An employee shall request annual leave at least 30 days in advance if the need for leave is foreseeable and the annual leave is to be taken in conjunction with a planned leave of absence without pay.
4. An employee who has accumulated both annual leave and compensatory time off, and who may lose annual leave at the end of the calendar year, may elect to use the annual leave instead of the compensatory time for approved leave. In all other instances, compensatory time must, as far as practicable, be exhausted before annual leave is used.
5. An employee who is receiving benefits for a temporary total disability pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or chapter 617 of NRS may use his accrued annual leave pursuant to NAC 284.5775.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 6-18-86; 9-17-87; 7-14-88; 4-20-90; 3-23-94; 11-16-95; R031-98, 4-17-98; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.5395 Annual leave: Payment upon separation from service. (NRS 284.175, 284.350)**

An employee who has completed 6 months of continuous service and who has separated from state service must be paid a lump-sum payment for any unused annual leave which he has earned through the date of separation.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A by R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.540 Annual leave: Records.** Each appointing authority shall keep accurate records of earned and used annual leave. If the records are not maintained on a computer they must be maintained manually.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.5405 Annual leave: Credit upon reinstatement, rehiring, reemployment or transfer. (NRS 284.155, 284.350)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, any employee who returns to state service following a separation is eligible to accrue annual leave based on his total service with the state after he has completed 3 years of continuous service. The employee must requalify after each break in service.
2. An employee who is rehired within 1 year after being laid off accrues annual leave at a rate based on his total state service. He may use his annual leave immediately upon accruing it if he has completed 6 months of employment.
3. An employee with a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work who is reemployed following a separation from state service within 1 year after the date on which he sustained the permanent disability as determined pursuant to NAC 284.6013 accrues annual leave at a rate based on his total state service. He may use his annual leave immediately upon accruing it if he has completed 6 months of employment.
4. An employee who is rehired within 1 year after being laid off is entitled to buy back the balance of the annual leave for which he received payment in a lump sum on the date of the layoff. The rate of pay at which he is rehired applies to the buying back of annual leave.
5. An employee with a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work who is reemployed following a separation from state service within 1 year after the date on which he sustained the permanent disability as determined pursuant to NAC 284.6013 is entitled to buy back the balance of the annual leave for which he received payment in a lump sum at the time of separation. The rate of pay at which he is reemployed applies to the buying back of annual leave.
6. If an employee who was laid off before completing 6 months of employment is rehired within 1 year of his layoff, the amount of the unpaid annual leave he had earned before the layoff must be restored to him.
7. If a person eligible for military reemployment is reemployed, he accrues annual leave at the rate which he would have earned if he had not left state service.
8. If an employee is appointed without a break in service from a position under one appointing authority to a position under another appointing authority, the balance of his annual leave is charged to the agency to which he is appointed.



9. If a nonclassified employee, an unclassified employee of the University and Community College System of Nevada, or an employee included in the personnel system pursuant to NRS 284.022 is appointed without a break in service to the classified or unclassified service, the annual leave which he has accrued is transferable. This may not exceed the amount remaining to the employee's credit and is subject to the maximum amount which is permitted by the classified or unclassified rate of accrual. The agency to which the employee is appointed is not responsible for payment of any annual leave in excess of the amount which is transferable. It is the transferring employee's responsibility to seek payment of any excess amount of annual leave remaining to his credit from his former employer.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-28-85; 4-19-88; 3-27-92; 11-12-93; 3-1-96; R031-98, 4-17-98)

**NAC 284.541 Annual leave: Service in provisional, special disabled, emergency or temporary status; seasonal employees.**

1. Service in a provisional, special disabled, emergency or temporary status must be credited toward annual leave if it is immediately preceded or followed by a status of appointment which enables the employee to obtain the required 6 months of continuous service.
2. Service in a special position, which is temporary, in the University may be credited toward annual leave if it is immediately followed by probationary or permanent status.
3. An employee in a seasonal position who works a combined amount of time which equals 6 months is eligible for annual leave. The employee may choose to maintain the balance of the annual leave or receive a payment in lieu of annual leave upon his separation from the seasonal position if he has completed the qualifying period of 6 months. An employee who is not paid for his annual leave upon his separation from a seasonal position and who does not return to state service within 1 year must be paid the balance of his annual leave no later than 1 year after his termination if he has completed the qualifying period of 6 months.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 7-6-92)

**NRS 284.355 states, “Leave for sickness and disability: Accrual; payment for unused leave; employees with mental or emotional disorders; forfeiture of leave.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, all employees in the public service, whether in the classified or unclassified service, are entitled to sick and disability leave with pay of 1 1/4 working days for each month of service, which may be cumulative from year to year. After an employee has accumulated 90 working days of sick leave, the amount of additional unused sick leave which he is entitled to carry forward from 1 year to the next is limited to one-half of the unused sick leave accrued during that year, but the department may by regulation provide for subsequent use of unused sick leave accrued but not carried forward because of this limitation in cases where the employee is suffering from a long-term or chronic illness and has used all sick leave otherwise available to him.
2. Upon the retirement of an employee, his termination through no fault of his own or his death while in public employment, the employee or his beneficiaries are entitled to payment:
  - (a) For his unused sick leave in excess of 30 days, exclusive of any unused sick leave accrued but not carried forward, according to his number of years of public service, except service with a political subdivision of the state, as follows:
    - (1) For 10 years of service or more but less than 15 years, not more than \$2,500.
    - (2) For 15 years of service or more but less than 20 years, not more than \$4,000.
    - (3) For 20 years of service or more but less than 25 years, not more than \$6,000.
    - (4) For 25 years of service or more, not more than \$8,000.
  - (b) For his unused sick leave accrued but not carried forward, an amount equal to one-half of the sum of:
    - (1) His hours of unused sick leave accrued but not carried forward; and
    - (2) An additional 120 hours.
3. The department may by regulation provide for additional sick and disability leave for long-term employees and for prorated sick and disability leave for part-time employees.
4. An employee entitled to payment for unused sick leave pursuant to subsection 2 may elect to receive the payment in any one or more of the following forms:
  - (a) A lump-sum payment.
  - (b) An advanced payment of the premiums or contributions for insurance coverage for which he is otherwise eligible pursuant to chapter 287 of NRS. If the insurance coverage is terminated and the money advanced for premiums or contributions pursuant to this subsection exceeds the amount which is payable for premiums or contributions for the period for which the former employee was actually covered, the unused portion of the advanced payment must be paid promptly to the former employee or, if he is deceased, to his beneficiary.
  - (c) The purchase of additional retirement credit, if he is otherwise eligible pursuant to chapter 286 of NRS.
5. Officers and members of the faculty of the University and Community College System of Nevada are entitled to sick and disability leave as provided by the regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 284.345.

6. The department may by regulation provide policies concerning employees with mental or emotional disorders which:
  - (a) Use a liberal approach to the granting of sick leave or leave without pay to such an employee if it is necessary for him to be absent for treatment or temporary hospitalization.
  - (b) Provide for the retention of the job of such an employee for a reasonable period of absence, and if an extended absence necessitates separation or retirement, provide for the reemployment of such an employee if at all possible after recovery.
  - (c) Protect employee benefits, including, without limitation, retirement, life insurance and health benefits.
7. The director shall establish by regulation a schedule for the accrual of sick leave for employees who regularly work more than 40 hours per week or 80 hours biweekly. The schedule must provide for the accrual of sick leave at the same rate proportionately as employees who work a 40-hour week accrue sick leave.
8. The department may investigate any instance in which it believes that an employee has taken sick or disability leave to which he was not entitled. If, after notice to the employee and a hearing, the commission determines that he has taken sick or disability leave to which he was not entitled, the commission may order the forfeiture of all or part of his accrued sick leave.

**NAC 284.5415 Annual leave and sick leave: Exception employees.**

1. As used in this section:
  - (a) "Exception employee" means an employee whose normally scheduled hours of work are more than 80 hours biweekly; and
  - (b) "Regular employee" means an employee whose normally scheduled hours of work are 8 hours per day, 40 hours per week, or 80 hours biweekly.
2. An exception employee is entitled to accrue annual leave and sick leave based on his average workday. The average workday of such an employee must be determined by dividing the total scheduled hours of work per year by 2,088 and multiplying the quotient by 8.
3. When an exception employee is appointed to a job classification with a schedule of work as a regular employee, the accrued annual leave and sick leave of the exception employee must be converted to the amount of annual leave and sick leave that would have been accrued as a regular employee.
4. When a regular employee is appointed to a job classification with a schedule of work as an exception employee, the accrued annual leave and sick leave of the regular employee must be converted to the amount of annual leave and sick leave that would have been accrued as an exception employee.
5. For the purposes of this section, a fireman is an exception employee and shall be deemed to work an average of 56 hours per week and 2,912 hours per year.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, 9-13-91, eff. 10-1-91; A 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.542 Sick leave: Part-time employees.**

1. A part-time employee is entitled to prorated sick leave on the basis of 1 1/4 days of credit for the equivalent of 1 month of full-time service.
2. An employee who holds two or more part-time positions in the state service may combine the time in all positions for the purpose of computing credit for sick leave.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § D subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73; A and renumbered as subsec. 1, 2-5-82; § D subsec. 3, eff. 2-5-82]

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: NRS 281.390 “Sick leave of public employees: Election of benefits; amount limited when eligible for benefits for industrial or occupational disease.”** may be found preceding NAC 284.5385

**NRS 287.0445 states, “Payment of premiums or contributions for person injured while member of public employees’ benefits program.** The department, agency, commission or public agency which employed an officer or employee who:

1. Was injured in the course of that employment;
2. Receives compensation for a temporary total disability pursuant to NRS 616C.475; and
3. Was a member of the program at the time of the injury,

shall pay the state’s share of the cost of the premiums or contributions for the program for that officer or employee for not more than 9 months after the injury or until the officer or employee is able to return to work, whichever is less. If the previous injury recurs within 1 month after the employee returns to work and the employee again receives compensation pursuant to NRS 616C.475 as a result of the previous injury, the department, agency, commission or public agency shall not, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, pay the state’s share of the cost of the premiums or contributions for the period during which the employee is unable to work as a result of the recurring previous injury. If the initial period of disability was less than 9 months, the department, agency, commission or public agency shall pay, during the recurrence, the state’s share of the costs of the premiums or contributions for a period which, when added to the initial period, equals not more than 9 months.”

**NAC 284.544 Sick leave: Leave without pay; catastrophic leave; receipt of benefits for temporary total disability; computation. (NRS 284.175, 284.345, 284.355)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.580, an employee does not accrue sick leave during the time he is on leave without pay or on catastrophic leave.
2. A person who is receiving benefits for a temporary total disability pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or 617 of NRS and:
  - (a) Makes the election provided in subsection 1 or 3 of NRS 281.390, is entitled to accrue sick leave during the period he is receiving those benefits and is being paid an amount of sick leave equal to the difference between his normal pay and the benefits received.
  - (b) Makes the election provided in subsection 5 of NRS 281.390, must be placed on leave of absence without pay, unless the employee is on family and medical leave because a serious health condition prevents him from performing one or more of the essential functions of his position. Such an employee may, while he is on such leave, elect to use his accrued annual leave in lieu of being placed on leave of absence without pay.

3. An employee who does not have enough sick leave to make up the difference between his normal pay and the benefits for temporary total disability must be placed on leave of absence without pay for the time he is receiving such benefits and the balance of time not covered by sick leave or other paid leave. Such an employee accrues sick leave only for the time he is covered by sick leave or other paid leave. The employee ceases to be on leave of absence without pay when he has exhausted all of his sick leave and is not approved for other leave.
4. To compute the amount of sick leave to which an employee is entitled, an employee must be considered to work not more than 40 hours each week. If an employee occupies more than one position in different departments, he must be considered to work not more than 40 hours each week in each position.
5. The basis for the computation of the amount of sick leave to which an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee is entitled must not exceed the number of hours authorized in the biennial operating budget of this state for his position.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 12-17-87; A 7-14-88; 7-21-89; 8-1-91; 9-16-92; 11-12-93; 3-23-94; 7-1-94; 11-16-95; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.546 Sick leave: Unused credit.** Unused sick leave accrued but not carried forward because of the limitation in NRS 284.355 must be placed in a separate account and may be used if the employee has used all the sick leave otherwise available to him and meets the conditions, as applicable, of NAC 284.554, 284.566 and 284.568.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § D subsec. 3, eff. 8-11-73; A and renumbered as subsec. 2, 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-22-86; 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.548 Sick leave: Repayment of benefits upon reinstatement of dismissed employee.** An employee who is dismissed and later reinstated by an order of a hearing officer must repay any money the employee received for payment of sick leave benefits. The amount of the payment may be deducted from the future wage payments or any back pay owed to the employee.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 4-20-90)

**NAC 284.550 Sick leave: Separation from service.**

1. An employee who is being separated from service earns sick leave only through the last working day for which he is entitled to pay. If the last working day occurs earlier than the last day of the month, the sick leave must be prorated.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1 of NAC 284.551, an employee who is rehired is not entitled to the restoration of accrued and unused sick leave which remains in his account at the time of his separation.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § D subsec. 5, eff. 8-11-73; A and renumbered as subsec. 4, 2-5-82; Rule VII § D subsec. 5, eff. 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 4-19-88; 7-14-88)

**NAC 284.551 Sick leave: Credit upon rehiring, reemployment or transfer.**

1. An employee who is rehired within 1 year after he is laid off is entitled to the restoration of the accrued and unused sick leave remaining in his account at the time of his layoff.
2. The balance of a seasonal employee's sick leave must be restored to him for each subsequent term of appointment if the employee is rehired within 1 year from the date of his last seasonal separation.

3. An employee with a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work who is reemployed following a separation from state service within 1 year after the date he sustained the permanent disability as determined pursuant to NAC 284.6013 is entitled to restoration of the accrued and unused sick leave that remained in his account at the time of separation.
4. If a person who is eligible for reemployment because of his military service is reemployed, he is entitled to the restoration of the accrued and unused sick leave remaining in his account at the time of separation.
5. If an employee is appointed without a break in service from a position under one appointing authority to a position under another appointing authority the balance of his sick leave is charged to the agency to which he is appointed.
6. If a nonclassified employee, an unclassified employee of the University and Community College System of Nevada, or an employee covered by NRS 284.022 is appointed to the classified or unclassified service without a break in service, his sick leave must be recomputed to reflect the amount that would have accrued to him as a classified or unclassified employee less any sick leave which he used during his nonclassified, University, or governmental agency employment and the remaining balance will be transferred to the new appointment.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 4-19-88; 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.552 Sick leave: Service in provisional, special disabled, emergency or temporary status; seasonal employees.**

1. Service in provisional, special disabled, emergency or temporary status must be credited towards sick leave.
2. Service in a special position which is temporary in the University and Community College System of Nevada may be credited towards sick leave if it is immediately followed by probationary or permanent status.
3. An employee in a seasonal position must be credited with sick leave.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 7-6-92)

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: 29 C.F.R. §785.43 Medical attention.**

Time spent by an employee in waiting for and receiving medical attention on the premises or at the direction of the employer during the employee's normal working hours on days when he is working constitutes hours worked.

**NAC 284.554 Sick leave: Authorized use.** An employee is entitled to use sick leave if:

1. He is unable to perform the duties of his position because he is sick, injured or physically incapacitated due to a medical condition;
2. The employee is physically incapacitated due to pregnancy or childbirth and is therefore unable to perform the duties of the employee's position;
3. He is quarantined;
4. He is receiving required medical, psychological, optometric, or dental service or examination;

5. He is receiving counseling through the employee assistance program for a condition which would otherwise qualify pursuant to the provisions of this section; or
6. There is an illness, death, or other authorized medical need in his immediate family and he complies with the requirements of NAC 284.558 or 284.562.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § D part subsec. 6, eff. 8-11-73; A 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 4-20-90; 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.558 Sick leave: Illness in employee's immediate family. (NRS 284.345)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, if an employee is needed to provide care for a member of his immediate family with an illness or other authorized medical need, the employee may use his accumulated sick leave, not to exceed 120 hours in any 1 calendar year. An employee is not subject to this 120-hour limitation if the leave is approved under the Family and Medical Leave Act.
2. The appointing authority may approve an exception to the 120-hour limitation or the requirement that the immediate family member be living in the employee's household. To obtain an exception, the employee may be required to submit his request in writing to the appointing authority. The appointing authority may require that the request be accompanied by a certification from a provider of health care of the need for the employee's participation. The appointing authority may use the procedure and form which is used for certification under the Family and Medical Leave Act.
3. The appointing authority may request that the employee submit supplemental information. Supplemental information may include a second and third medical opinion as provided in subsection 2 of NAC 284.566.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § D part subsec. 6, eff. 8-11-73; A and renumbered as subsec. 7, 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 3-23-94; 11-16-95; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.562 Sick leave or catastrophic leave: Death in employee's immediate family.**

1. If a member of the employee's immediate family dies, he may use his accumulated sick leave, or request approval for catastrophic leave pursuant to NAC 284.576, not to exceed 5 working days for each death.
2. For the purposes of this section, "immediate family" means the employee's parents, spouse, children, brothers, sisters, grandparents, great-grandparents, uncles, aunts, nephews, grandchildren, nieces, great-grandchildren, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandfather-in-law, grandmother-in-law, great-grandfather-in-law, great-grandmother-in-law, uncle-in-law, aunt-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandson-in-law, grand-daughter-in-law, nephew-in-law, niece-in-law, great-grandson-in-law, great-granddaughter-in-law, stepparents, and stepchildren.
3. If a reasonable amount of additional time is needed for traveling related to funeral arrangements, the appointing authority shall approve an exception to this limitation.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § D part subsec. 6, eff. 8-11-73; A and renumbered as subsec. 8, 2-5-82]—  
(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.566 Sick leave: Approval by appointing authority; medical certification. (NRS 284.345)**

1. An appointing authority may approve sick leave only after having ascertained that the absence was for an authorized reason. For absences in excess of 3 consecutive working days, or for cases of suspected abuse, the appointing authority may require that the employee submit substantiating evidence, which may include, but is not limited to, a certificate from a provider of health care of the need for the absence.
2. For absences for which medical certification is required, the appointing authority may require the employee to provide a second medical opinion. The provider of health care who provides the second opinion of an employee's health condition shall certify as to the ability of the employee to perform his duties and responsibilities and when he believes the employee can return to work. The provider of health care who provides the second opinion of an immediate family member's health condition shall certify as to the health condition of the family member, the probable duration of the health condition and incapacity, and the need for the employee's assistance or presence. A copy of each opinion must be provided to the employee, the patient and the appointing authority, as appropriate. If the first and second opinions differ, the appointing authority may require the employee to provide a third medical opinion.
3. If a second medical opinion is required, an employee shall obtain the opinion, on the form which is used for certification under the Family and Medical Leave Act, from a provider of health care designated by the appointing authority. The designated provider of health care must not be regularly used by the state unless the employee or a member of his immediate family resides or works in an area where such a provider of health care is not available and must not be employed by the state. The agency shall pay for the consultation.
4. If a third medical opinion is required, an employee shall obtain the opinion, on the form which is used for certification under the Family and Medical Leave Act, from a provider of health care approved jointly by the employee and the appointing authority. If necessary, a list of three providers of health care from which the selection must be made may be requested from the medical society of the county in which the employee or, if applicable, the member of his



immediate family, resides or works. If such a list is used, the selection of the third provider of health care must be made by the employee and appointing authority alternately striking one name off the list. The third opinion is final and binding. The agency shall pay for the consultation.

5. An employee shall request sick leave at least 30 days in advance if the need for leave is foreseeable and the sick leave is to be taken in conjunction with a planned leave of absence without pay.
6. An appointing authority may require a statement from a provider of health care that an employee is able to resume work if the requirement is related to the employee's ability to perform one or more of the essential functions of his position.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § D subsec. 8, eff. 8-11-73; A and renumbered as subsec. 9, 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 3-23-94; 11-16-95; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.568 Sick leave: Placing employee on sick leave. (NRS 284.345)**

1. An appointing authority may place an employee on sick leave if, due to a known or suspected illness, the employee is not performing at the level required by his position or the illness is such that it appears to be contagious.
2. An appointing authority may place an employee with a disability on sick leave if, due to an illness or injury, the employee is not able to perform the essential functions of the job with reasonable accommodation or the illness or injury is such that it is a direct threat to the employee or to another person. Before placing an employee with a disability on sick leave because an illness or injury is a direct threat to the employee or other person, the appointing authority shall consider whether the direct threat may be eliminated or reduced by reasonable accommodation.
3. If an appointing authority places an employee with a disability on sick leave pursuant to subsection 2, the appointing authority must:
  - (a) Identify a specific, significant and current risk of substantial harm; and
  - (b) Document the risk by medical or other factual evidence concerning the employee with a disability or other person.
4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 281.390, the appointing authority may require an eligible employee to use sick leave during the time family and medical leave is granted.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 7-6-92; 3-23-94; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.570 Sick leave: Records.** Each appointing authority shall maintain accurate records of earned and used sick leave. If the records are not maintained on a computer they must be maintained manually.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § D subsec. 9, eff. 8-11-73; A and renumbered as subsec. 10, 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NRS 284.362 states, “Catastrophic leave: Definitions.**

1. As used in NRS 284.362 to 284.3629, inclusive:
  - (a) “Catastrophe” means:
    - (1) The employee is unable to perform the duties of his position because of a serious illness or accident which is life threatening or which will require a lengthy convalescence;
    - (2) There is a serious illness or accident which is life threatening or which will require a lengthy convalescence in the employee’s immediate family; or
    - (3) There is a death in the employee’s immediate family.
  - (b) “Committee” means the committee on catastrophic leave created pursuant to NRS 284.3627.
2. The commission shall adopt regulations further defining “catastrophe” to ensure that the term is limited to serious calamities.”

**NRS 284.3621 states, “Catastrophic leave: Account for catastrophic leave; transfer of hours to account; limitations on transfers; transfers between branches of government.**

1. Each appointing authority may establish an account for catastrophic leave.
2. An employee of an appointing authority may request, in writing, that a specified number of hours of his accrued annual or sick leave be transferred from his account to the account for catastrophic leave.
3. An employee may not transfer to the account for catastrophic leave any hours of sick leave if the balance in his account after the transfer is less than 240 hours.
4. The maximum number of hours which may be transferred by an employee in any 1 calendar year is 120. The minimum number of hours which may be transferred in any 1 calendar year is 8.
5. An employee may transfer hours to any such account for catastrophic leave for use by a particular employee in any branch of state government who is eligible to receive them. A record of the source and number of hours of leave transferred among different appointing authorities for this purpose and the date of the transfer must be maintained by each appointing authority. Leave transferred in excess of the amount approved for use by a particular employee must be returned to the employee’s account from which it originated. The commission shall, by regulation, determine the procedure to return excess leave.
6. Any hours of annual or sick leave which are transferred from any employee’s account to the account for catastrophic leave and not designated for use by a particular employee may not be returned or restored to the originating employee. This subsection does not prevent the employee from receiving leave pursuant to NRS 284.3622.”

**NRS 284.3622 states, “Catastrophic leave: Request for transfer to employee of hours from account for catastrophic leave.**

1. An employee of an appointing authority may request, in writing, that a specified number of hours of leave be transferred from the account for catastrophic leave to his account. The maximum number of hours that may be transferred to an employee pursuant to this section is 1,040 in any 1 calendar year.
2. The request must include:
  - (a) The employee’s name, title and classification; and
  - (b) A description of the catastrophe and the expected duration of leave required for that catastrophe.
3. An employee may not receive any leave from the account for catastrophic leave until he has used all his accrued annual, sick and compensatory leave.
4. An employee who receives leave from the account for catastrophic leave is entitled to payment for that leave at a rate no greater than his own rate of pay.”

**NRS 284.3623 states, “Catastrophic leave: Approval of transfer of hours to employee.** The appointing authority may approve the transfer of a specified number of hours of leave from the account for catastrophic leave to the account of any employee who the appointing authority determines is eligible to receive such leave.”

**NRS 284.3624 states, “Catastrophic leave: Review of status of employee and his catastrophe; termination of leave; disposition of hours not used.**

1. The appointing authority shall review the status of the employee regarding the catastrophe and determine when the need to take leave for the catastrophe no longer exists.
2. The appointing authority shall not grant any hours of leave from the account for catastrophic leave after:
  - (a) The need to take leave for the catastrophe ceases to exist; or
  - (b) The employee who is receiving the leave resigns or his employment with the appointing authority is terminated.
3. Any leave which the employee received from the account for catastrophic leave which was not used at the time the need to take leave for the catastrophe ceases to exist or upon the resignation or termination of the employment of the employee must be returned to the account for catastrophic leave.”

**NRS 284.3625 states, “Catastrophic leave: Maintenance of records; reports to director.** Each appointing authority shall maintain records and report to the director any information concerning the use of an account for catastrophic leave to evaluate the effectiveness, feasibility and cost to carry out the provisions of NRS 284.362 to 284.3629, inclusive.”

**NRS 284.3626 states, “Catastrophic leave: Regulations of commission.** The commission shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of NRS 284.362 to 284.3629, inclusive.”

**NAC 284.575 Catastrophic leave: Interpretation of certain statutory terms. (NRS 284.155, 284.362, 284.3626)** As used in NRS 284.362:

1. “Lengthy convalescence” means a period of disability which an attending physician expects to exceed 10 consecutive weeks.
2. “Life threatening” means a condition which is diagnosed by a physician as creating a substantial risk of death.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 8-14-90; A by R146-01, 1-18-2002)

**NAC 284.576 Catastrophic leave: Use and administration; appeal of denial. (NRS 284.155, 284.3621, 284.3626)**

1. An account for catastrophic leave may be established for an employee when he or a member of his immediate family experiences a catastrophe and the employee has used all of his accrued leave.
2. An employee who is affected by a catastrophe and has used or is about to use all of his leave may request, on the appropriate form, the transfer of leave to an account for catastrophic leave for his personal use after the balance of all of his leave has been used. Such a request must be accompanied by a statement from a physician on a form provided by the committee on catastrophic leave created pursuant to NRS 284.3627 which substantiates the necessity of the leave.
3. When a member of the immediate family of an employee is affected by a catastrophe, the appointing authority of the employee may require substantiating evidence that the member of the immediate family requires the employee’s attendance before approving the transfer of leave to an account for catastrophic leave for use by the employee. Such evidence may include a statement by an attending physician regarding the status of the catastrophe.
4. The appointing authority shall approve or deny a request for catastrophic leave, taking into consideration the nature of the catastrophe and the expected duration of the leave. The decision of the appointing authority may be appealed to the committee on catastrophic leave pursuant to NRS 284.3629.
5. An employee who wishes to donate hours to an account for catastrophic leave for use by another employee who has been approved to receive the donated hours shall notify his appointing authority on the appropriate form of his intent to donate the leave. The appointing authority of the employee donating the leave shall submit a copy of the form to the appointing authority of the employee receiving the leave. The appointing authority of the recipient shall use the notice to effect a transfer of leave from the account of the donor to the account of the recipient when the recipient needs to use those hours. If more than one notice of intent to donate leave is received by the recipient’s appointing authority on behalf of the recipient, the notices must be maintained in chronological order and used, one at a time as needed, according to the date in which they were received.
6. A donor and his appointing authority must be notified on the appropriate form when the donated leave specifically designated for use by another employee has been used or if the amount of leave donated is in excess of the amount approved for use by the recipient. Excess leave must be restored to the account of the donor within 30 working days after the last day on which the recipient was eligible to receive catastrophic leave.
7. The appointing authority shall provide the following information on a calendar year basis or as requested by the director:

- (a) Each employee under its authority, identified by a number assigned in accordance with subsection 8, donating or using catastrophic leave, his grade and rate of pay and the number of hours and dollar value of the leave donated, excluding any excess leave restored to the account of a donor, pursuant to subsection 6, or used by the employee;
  - (b) The period and nature of the disability for each employee using catastrophic leave; and
  - (c) A comparison of the average dollar value of the accounts for catastrophic leave based on the average rate of pay of the donors and the average dollar value of the leave taken by the recipients.
8. The appointing authority shall assign numbers to employees for the purposes of subsection 7 in a sequential order and in such a manner that ensures the confidentiality of the identity of those employees.
  9. Hours donated to an account for catastrophic leave must be donated in increments of 8 hours.
  10. As used in this section, "immediate family" has the meaning ascribed to it in NAC 284.562.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-18-89; A 8-14-90; 3-23-94; R146-01, 1-18-2002)

**NAC 284.577 Catastrophic leave: Voluntary repayment for hours used.** An employee who has used hours from an account for catastrophic leave may voluntarily repay the account for those hours. The amount required to repay the hours must be based on his rate of pay at the time he used the hours.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 11-16-95)

**NRS 284.360 states in part, "Leave of absence without pay.**

1. Any person holding a permanent position in the classified service may be granted a leave of absence without pay. Leave of absence may be granted to any person holding a position in the classified service to permit acceptance of an appointive position in the unclassified service. Leave of absence must be granted to any person holding a position in the classified service to permit acceptance of a position in the legislative branch during a regular or special session of the legislature, including a reasonable period before and after the session if the entire period of employment in the legislative branch is continuous.
2. If a person is granted a leave of absence without pay to permit acceptance of an appointive position in the unclassified service or a position in the legislative branch, any benefits earned while he is in the:
  - (a) Classified service are retained and must be paid by the employer in the classified service, whether or not the person returns to the classified service.
  - (b) Unclassified service or employed by the legislative branch are retained and must be paid by the appointing authority in the unclassified service or by the legislative branch, if he does not return to the classified service, or by the employer in the classified service, if he returns to the classified service.
3. Any person in the unclassified service, except members of the academic staff of the University and Community College System of Nevada, may be granted by the appointing authority a leave of

absence without pay for a period not to exceed 6 months.

4. Officers and members of the faculty of the University and Community College System of Nevada may be granted leaves of absence without pay as provided by the regulations prescribed pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 284.345.
5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, a person in the classified or unclassified service who:
  - (a) Is the natural parent of a child who is less than 6 months old; or
  - (b) Has recently adopted a child,must be granted, upon request, a leave of absence without pay for a period not to exceed 12 weeks. Such a request by natural parents must be submitted at least 3 months before the date upon which the requested leave will begin, unless a shorter notice is approved by the employer. Such a request by adoptive parents must be submitted not fewer than 2 working days after the parents receive notice of the approval of the adoption. This subsection does not affect the rights of an employee set forth in NRS 284.350 or 284.355.
6. The provisions of subsection 5 are effective only if the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, 29 U.S.C. §§ 2601 et seq., or a subsequent federal law ceases to provide for a parental leave of absence of at least 12 weeks.”

**NAC 284.5775 Temporary total disability: Use of sick leave, compensatory time, annual leave and catastrophic leave; leave of absence without pay. (NRS 284.155, 284.345, 284.350, 284.355, 284.3626)** An employee who is receiving benefits for a temporary total disability pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or chapter 617 of NRS may:

1. Elect to receive payment for all or part of the difference between his normal pay and the benefits received by:
  - (a) Using his accrued sick leave as provided in subsection 1 or 3 of NRS 281.390;
  - (b) Using his accrued compensatory time;
  - (c) Using his accrued annual leave if he:
    - (1) Is on family and medical leave for a serious health condition that prevents him from performing one or more of the essential functions of his position; or
    - (2) Elected to use his accrued sick leave pursuant to NRS 281.390 and has exhausted all of his accrued sick leave; or
  - (d) Using catastrophic leave if he has exhausted all of his accrued annual leave, sick leave and compensatory time and his request for catastrophic leave has been approved pursuant to NAC 284.576; or
2. Elect to be placed on leave of absence without pay in accordance with subsection 5 of NRS 281.390.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel by R031-98, eff. 4-17-98; A by R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.578 Leave of absence without pay. (NRS 284.345)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 284.360, a leave of absence without pay may be granted to an employee for not more than 1 year by the appointing authority for any satisfactory reason.
2. The commission, upon the recommendation of the appointing authority, may grant leaves of absence without pay in excess of 1 year for purposes deemed beneficial to the public service.
3. An appointing authority may require an employee on leave of absence without pay to submit every 2 weeks a statement of his intent to return to work.
4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 281.390, if the reason for granting the leave no longer exists, or for another bona fide reason, the appointing authority may revoke the leave after notifying the employee in writing and allowing a reasonable time for the employee to return to work.
5. An employee shall request leave without pay at least 30 days in advance of when the need for the leave is foreseeable, if practicable.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § E subsecs. 1-4, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 3-23-94; 10-27-97)

**NAC 284.580 Leave of absence without pay during fiscal emergency of state. (NRS 284.175, 284.345, 284.360)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, upon the request of an employee, an appointing authority may grant a leave of absence without pay for a fiscal emergency of the state during any period for which the governor has declared that the state will experience a shortfall in revenue or for any other reason is in a state of fiscal emergency.
2. The appointing authority shall reduce the pay of an employee to whom a leave of absence is granted pursuant to subsection 1 by an amount equal to the pay that the employee would otherwise receive for the hours for which the leave is approved.
3. The hours for which payment is withheld pursuant to subsection 2:
  - (a) Must be treated as hours in paid status for the purposes of NAC 284.182, 284.255, 284.282, 284.448, 284.538, 284.5385, 284.544 and 284.614.
  - (b) Must not be considered as time worked in calculating overtime.
4. After notifying the employee in writing and allowing a reasonable period for the employee to return to work, an appointing authority:
  - (a) Shall revoke any leave approved pursuant to subsection 1 upon a declaration by the governor that the fiscal emergency no longer exists.
  - (b) May revoke any leave approved pursuant to subsection 1 for any other bona fide reason.
5. An appointing authority shall not approve leave pursuant to subsection 1 that consists of any partial working days for an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee.
6. As used in subsection 5, "partial working day" means any portion of a day that is less than the full regular working day of the employee to whom this subsection is being applied.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 9-16-92; A 11-12-93; 3-23-94; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.581 Adoption by reference of federal law and regulations. (NRS 284.345)**

1. For the purposes of NAC 284.523 to 284.598, inclusive, the department of personnel hereby adopts by reference:

- (a) The Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (Public Law 103-3), as amended.
  - (b) The Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, and 29 C.F.R. Part 541.
2. A copy of the Family and Medical Leave Act, the Fair Labor Standards Act or 29 C.F.R. Part 541 may be obtained at no charge from the United States Government, Wage and Hour Division, P.O. Box 3136, Reno, Nevada 89505-3136, telephone (775) 784-5200, or from the United States Government, Wage and Hour Division, 1050 Flamingo Road, Suite 321, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119, telephone (702) 699-5581.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A 11-16-95; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.5811 Family and medical leave: Maximum amount in 12-month period. (NRS 284.345)**

- 1. The entitlement for family and medical leave for an eligible employee is limited to a total of 12 weeks during a rolling 12-month period.
- 2. To calculate the hours of service needed for eligibility under the Family and Medical Leave Act, paid leave must be considered as time worked.
- 3. As used in this section, a "rolling 12-month period" means the 12-month period as measured backward from the date an employee uses any family and medical leave.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A 11-16-95; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.5813 Family and medical leave: Records. (NRS 284.345)** Each appointing authority shall maintain accurate records of family and medical leave used by its employees, including any form approved for requesting family and medical leave.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A 11-16-95; 3-1-96; R082-00, 8-2-2000)



**NRS 50.070 states in part, “Termination or threat of termination of employment because of service as witness prohibited; penalty; remedies.**

1. Any person, corporation, partnership, association or other entity who is:
  - (a) An employer; or
  - (b) The employee, agent or officer of an employer, vested with the power to terminate or recommend termination of employment, of a person who is a witness or who has received a summons to appear as a witness in a judicial or administrative proceeding, who deprives the witness or person summoned of his employment, as a consequence of his service as a witness or prospective witness, or who asserts to the witness or person summoned that his service as a witness or prospective witness will result in termination of his employment, is guilty of a misdemeanor.”

**NAC 284.582 Civil leave with pay to serve on jury or as witness. (NRS 284.175, 284.345)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, civil leave with pay must be granted to any employee who is required, during his normal hours of work, to serve:
  - (a) On a jury; or
  - (b) As a witness in a court or at an administrative hearing unless he is a party to the action which is not related to his job.

The period of the leave must not be deducted from the balance of his annual leave. An employee who is granted the leave must receive his regular pay while on the leave, and he may retain any fee paid to him for his service as a juror or witness.

2. If an employee, in his official capacity as a state employee and as part of his required duties, serves as a witness during his regular working hours, he shall accept any witness fee offered to him and relinquish it to the agency by which he is employed.
3. If an employee is paid travel expenses and subsistence allowances by the court or public agency for which he performs service as a witness, he may retain that payment only if the state has not provided him payment for the same purpose. If the state has provided him such a payment, he shall relinquish it to the agency by which he is employed.
4. As far as practical, agencies shall attempt to adjust the working hours of employees who work night shifts and are called as witnesses or for jury duty during the day. If an agency feels this is impractical, in the case of jury duty, it shall petition the court to excuse the juror. The agency may also consider options such as hiring relief help or rescheduling volunteer work.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § E subsec. 5, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 12-13-83, 10-26-84; 5-27-86; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NRS 293.463 states, “Employees may absent themselves from employment to vote: Procedure; penalty.**

1. Any registered voter may absent himself from his place of employment at a time to be designated by the employer for a sufficient time to vote, if it is impracticable for him to vote before or after his hours of employment. A sufficient time to vote shall be determined as follows:
  - (a) If the distance between the place of such voter’s employment and the polling place where such person votes is 2 miles or less, 1 hour.
  - (b) If the distance is more than 2 miles but not more than 10 miles, 2 hours.
  - (c) If the distance is more than 10 miles, 3 hours.
2. Such voter may not, because of such absence, be discharged, disciplined or penalized, nor shall any deduction be made from his usual salary or wages by reason of such absence.
3. Application for leave of absence to vote shall be made to the employer or person authorized to grant such leave prior to the day of the election.
4. Any employer or person authorized to grant the leave of absence provided for in subsection 1, who denies any registered voter any right granted under this section, or who otherwise violates the provisions of this section, is guilty of a misdemeanor.”

**NAC 284.586 Civil leave with pay to vote.** Civil leave with pay must be granted to allow an employee time off to vote subject to the conditions established in NRS 293.463.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § E subsec. 7, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NRS 281.147 states, “Leave of absence for duty as American National Red Cross disaster technician.** Any public officer or employee of the state or any agency thereof, or of a political subdivision or an agency of a political subdivision, who is classified by the American National Red Cross as a disaster technician must be relieved from his duties, upon the request of the American National Red Cross and the approval of his employer, to assist the American National Red Cross during an emergency or disaster described in NRS 414.020 which occurs in this state or California, Oregon, Idaho, Utah or Arizona, without loss of his regular compensation for a period of not more than 15 working days in any calendar year. No such absence may be a part of the annual vacation of the public officer or employee which is provided for by law.”

**NRS 284.357 states, “Deduction from salary for service during working hours as volunteer fireman, volunteer medical technician, volunteer reserve member of police department or sheriff’s office or volunteer ambulance driver or attendant prohibited.**

1. All employees, whether in the classified or in the unclassified service of the State of Nevada, must be paid their salaries as fixed by law without diminution on account of any time spent away from state employment while acting as:
  - (a) Volunteer firemen of any regular organized and recognized fire department in the protection of life or property;
  - (b) Volunteer emergency medical technicians certified pursuant to chapter 450B of NRS;

- (c) Volunteer reserve members of a police department or a sheriff's office; or
  - (d) Volunteer ambulance drivers or attendants,  
during working hours or fractions thereof which should otherwise have been devoted to state employment.
2. As used in this section, "volunteer ambulance driver or attendant" means a person who is a driver of or attendant on an ambulance owned or operated by:
- (a) A nonprofit organization that provides volunteer ambulance service in any county, city or town in this state; or
  - (b) A political subdivision of this state."

**NAC 284.587 Civil leave with pay for certain volunteers or when absence is necessary to meet disaster or emergency. (NRS 284.155, 284.345, 284.357)** Civil leave with pay must be granted to an employee who meets the requirements of NRS 284.357, and may also be granted by the appointing authority to an employee whose absence from the job is necessary to meet a disaster or emergency.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A by R146-01, 1-18-2002)

**NRS 284.345 states in part, "Regulations for attendance and leaves of absence; ...**

1. ... the director shall prescribe regulations for attendance and leaves with or without pay or reduced pay in the various classes of positions in the public service."

**NAC 284.588 Civil leave with reduced pay when performing certain service in time of war or emergency. (NRS 284.175, 284.345)** An employee in the public service who performs active military service in the Armed Forces of the United States or any other category of persons designated by the President of the United States or the governor of this state, including, without limitation, the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service, in time of war or emergency, is entitled to civil leave with reduced pay pursuant to this section for the period of such service. The pay that such an employee is entitled to receive pursuant to this section is the difference between the pay he would have otherwise received as a state employee and his pay for active military service. If his pay for active military service is greater than the pay he would have otherwise received as a state employee, the employee will not receive any additional pay pursuant to this section while he is in active military service.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel by R146-01, 1-18-2002, eff. 2-4-2002)

**NAC 284.589 Administrative leave with pay. (NRS 284.155, 284.345)**

1. An appointing authority may grant administrative leave with pay to an employee:
- (a) To relieve him of his duties during the active investigation of a suspected criminal violation or the investigation of an alleged wrongdoing;
  - (b) For up to 2 hours to donate blood; or
  - (c) To relieve him of his duties until the appointing authority receives the results of a screening test pursuant to NRS 284.4065.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, an appointing authority or the department of personnel may grant administrative leave with pay to an employee for any of the following purposes:
  - (a) His participation in, or attendance at, activities which are directly or indirectly related to the employee's job or his employment with the state but which do not require him to participate or attend in his official capacity as a state employee.
  - (b) Closure of the employee's office or worksite caused by a natural disaster or other similar adverse condition when the employee is scheduled and expected to be at work. An appointing authority may designate certain employees as essential and notify them that they are required to report to work.
  - (c) His appearance as an aggrieved employee or a witness at a hearing of the committee.
  - (d) His appearance as an appellant or a witness at a hearing conducted pursuant to NRS 284.390 by a hearing officer of the department of personnel.
  - (e) His appearance to provide testimony at a meeting of the commission.
3. An appointing authority or the department of personnel shall grant administrative leave with pay to an employee for a purpose set forth in paragraph (c), (d) or (e) of subsection 2 if:
  - (a) The employee requests the administrative leave for a period of time that is reasonably needed for him to testify at the hearing or meeting;
  - (b) The employee requests the administrative leave at least 2 weeks before the leave is needed, unless such notice is impractical; and
  - (c) The absence of the employee will not cause an undue hardship to the operations of his appointing authority or adversely impact the provision of services to clients or to the public.
4. An appointing authority shall grant administrative leave with pay to an employee for any of the following purposes:
  - (a) The initial appointment and one follow-up appointment if the employee receives counseling through the employee assistance program.
  - (b) His attendance at a health fair which has been authorized by the board of the public employees' benefits program.
  - (c) His participation in an official capacity as a member of a committee or board created by statute on which he serves as a representative of state employees. Such leave must be in lieu of other fees provided for attendance at meetings and participation in official functions of the committee or board.

- (d) Up to 8 hours for preparation for hearings regarding his suspension, demotion or dismissal as provided in subsection 1 of NAC 284.656.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-28-85; 4-20-90; A by Personnel Comm'n, 8-1-91; A by Dep't of Personnel, 9-13-91; 12-26-91; 11-12-93; 3-23-94; 11-16-95; 10-27-97; R042-99, 9-27-99; R058-01, 9-6-2001)

**NRS 281.1275 states in part, "Reduction in salary of certain public officers and employees for part-day absence from work prohibited; accounting for part-day absence; exception.**

1. Except as permitted by the federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, the salary of a public officer or employee of the state or any agency thereof, or of a political subdivision or any agency thereof, who is not entitled pursuant to federal or state law, local ordinance, or policy or contract of employment to earn overtime at the rate of time and one-half, must not be reduced for an absence from work for part of a day."

**NAC 284.5895 Computation of leave for exempt classified and unclassified employees. (NRS 284.155, 284.345)**

1. For the purposes of accounting for the use of leave appropriate to an absence, an absence of an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee for a full workday shall be deemed to be an absence for a period equal to his regularly scheduled hours of employment on that workday.
2. Except when an absence for part of a workday is authorized for family and medical leave, an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee must only account for an absence of one or more full workdays by the use of leave appropriate to the absence, and is not required to account for any absence for part of a workday by the use of leave appropriate to the absence.
3. An exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee must not account for an absence for a full workday by the use of a combination of accrued sick leave and accrued annual leave unless:
  - (a) He is on family and medical leave; or
  - (b) He has been approved for catastrophic leave and the catastrophic leave is used as a supplement for the remaining sick and annual leave.
4. If an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee does not have accrued leave appropriate to the absence in an amount sufficient to account for an authorized absence, the employee must be placed on leave of absence without pay for that workday unless he is approved to use catastrophic leave.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-23-94; A 11-16-95; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NRS 281.145 states. “Leave of absence for military duty.** Any public officer or employee of the state or any agency thereof, or of a political subdivision or an agency of a political subdivision, who is an active member of the United States Army Reserve, the United States Naval Reserve, the United States Marine Corps Reserve, the United States Coast Guard Reserve, the United States Air Force Reserve, or the Nevada National Guard must be relieved from his duties, upon his request, to serve under orders without loss of his regular compensation for a period of not more than 15 working days in any 1 calendar year. No such absence may be a part of the employee’s annual vacation provided for by law.”

**NRS 284.359 states, “Military leave of absence; reinstatement.** A permanent or probationary employee who performs active military service under the provisions of any national military service or training act, or who voluntarily serves in the Armed Forces of the United States in time of war, or in such types of service as the director by regulation may prescribe, is, upon application, entitled to leave of absence without pay for the period of such service plus a period not to exceed 90 days. If within that period he applies for reinstatement, he must be reinstated to his former class of position, or to a class of position having like seniority, status and pay, or, if those positions have been abolished, to the nearest approximation thereof consistent with the circumstances.”

**NAC 284.590 Employees required to report absences.** An officer or employee who is absent from duty shall report the reason therefor to his supervisor or designated representative as prescribed in writing by the agency.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § F, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.594 Unauthorized absences. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.345)**

1. An unauthorized and unreported absence must be considered an absence without leave and a deduction of pay must be made for the absence.
2. A deduction of pay may be made for a reported but unauthorized absence when the appointing authority declines to authorize the leave for reasons which are substantial and just.
3. Such absences may be made the grounds for disciplinary action.
4. A deduction from the pay of an exempt classified employee or exempt unclassified employee must be made in increments of a full workday.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § G, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 1-26-87; 11-16-95; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.598 Breaks in continuous service.** The following are not breaks in continuous service:

1. Authorized military leave for active service if the person is reemployed within 90 calendar days after an honorable discharge from military service.
2. Separation because of layoff if a former employee is rehired within 1 year after the date he was laid off.
3. Reemployment of a seasonal employee within 1 year after the end of the previous seasonal appointment.
4. Separation because an employee sustained a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work, if the former employee was reemployed not later than 1 year after the date on which he sustained the permanent disability as determined pursuant to NAC 284.6013.

[Personnel Div., Rule VII § H, eff. 8-11-73; A 7-3-76]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-26-83; 4-19-88; 3-1-96)

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE:** Certain personnel actions, such as transfers, authorized leave without pay and those separations listed above in NAC 284.598, do not constitute a break in continuous service but may result in adjustments to pay, benefits computation of seniority, and/or probationary periods as provided in this chapter.

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## DISABILITIES RELATED TO WORK

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE:** See also NRS 616A to 616D, and NRS 617.

**NAC 284.600 Definitions.** As used in NAC 284.600 to 284.6019, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “Disability related to work” means any injury or occupational disease suffered by an employee that arises out of and in the course of his employment in the classified service of the state.
2. “Employee” means an employee who is in the classified service of the state. The term does not include an employee of the University and Community College System of Nevada who is described in subsection 4 of NRS 284.325.
3. “Regular position” means the position an employee with a disability related to work held at the time:
  - (a) Of his injury; or
  - (b) He became aware of his occupational disease and its relationship to his employment in the classified service of the state.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 7-1-94; A 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.6002 Physical assessments. (NRS 284.345, 284.355)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, an appointing authority shall require an employee who has a disability related to work to submit to the appointing authority a physical assessment of the disability that is prepared by the employee’s treating physician or chiropractor. The appointing authority may require the employee to submit a physical assessment after each visit to the physician or chiropractor or after only those visits designated by the appointing authority.
2. Each physical assessment must:
  - (a) Be reported on the appropriate form prescribed by the division of industrial relations of the department of business and industry. The appointing authority shall provide the appropriate form to the employee.
  - (b) Contain any limitations or restrictions imposed on the employee’s ability to work by the treating physician or chiropractor.
3. An employee who is required to submit a physical assessment shall deliver or mail the assessment to the appointing authority within 3 working days after the date of his visit to his treating physician or chiropractor.
4. If an employee is on family and medical leave because of a disability related to work, he may, in lieu of submitting physical assessments required pursuant to subsection 1, submit to his appointing authority certification from a provider of health care substantiating the need for family and medical leave in the manner prescribed by the Family and Medical Leave Act.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 7-1-94; A by R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.6004 Temporary assignment: Conditions for offer; termination; additional assignments.**

1. An appointing authority shall offer to an employee who has a disability related to work a temporary assignment that is modified according to the limitations or restrictions imposed on the employee's ability to work if:
  - (a) The employee is unable to perform the duties of his regular position;
  - (b) The employee files, in a timely manner:
    - (1) A notice of the injury or occupational disease pursuant to NRS 616C.015 or 617.342; and
    - (2) A claim for compensation pursuant to NRS 616C.020 or 617.344;
  - (c) The employee's treating physician or chiropractor approves the return of the employee to work;
  - (d) An appropriate temporary assignment is available;
  - (e) The temporary assignment is not prohibited by the source that funds the employee's regular position; and
  - (f) The employee would otherwise be employed by the appointing authority if he had not incurred the disability related to work.
2. A temporary assignment offered pursuant to subsection 1 must be terminated:
  - (a) Ninety days after the date on which the employee accepts the assignment;
  - (b) When the employee's treating physician or chiropractor certifies that the employee has permanent restrictions that prevent him from returning to his regular position;
  - (c) When the assignment is no longer available;
  - (d) When the employee's treating physician or chiropractor certifies that the employee is capable of performing the duties of his regular position;
  - (e) When the employee's claim for compensation for the disability that is filed pursuant to NRS 616C.020 or 617.344 is denied pursuant to NRS 616C.065 or 617.356; or
  - (f) When the employee terminates his employment or retires,whichever occurs earlier.
3. An appointing authority may offer an employee who has a disability related to work an additional temporary assignment if:
  - (a) The employee has returned to work at his regular position and is temporarily unable to perform the duties of that position;
  - (b) The period for recovering from a subsequent treatment for the same disability prevents the employee from continuing to perform the duties of his regular position; and
  - (c) The additional temporary assignment is recommended by the appointing authority's insurer.
4. Any additional temporary assignment must be limited to the time set forth in subsection 2.
5. As used in this section, "insurer" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 616A.270.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 7-1-94)

**NAC 284.6006 Temporary assignment: Compensation; effect of duties assigned.**

1. An employee who accepts a temporary assignment offered pursuant to NAC 284.6004 is entitled to receive the base rate of pay he received for his regular position for the number of hours he works or is on paid leave during the temporary assignment.
2. For the duration of the temporary assignment, the duties assigned to the employee may not be used as a basis to:
  - (a) Reclassify the employee's regular position.
  - (b) Reallocate the class in which the employee is employed.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 7-1-94)

**NAC 284.6008 Temporary assignment: Location; jurisdiction of appointing authority; effect of jurisdiction of another appointing authority. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. A temporary assignment offered to an employee pursuant to NAC 284.6004 must be located less than 25 miles from the location of his regular position, unless the employee accepts a temporary assignment in a different geographical location.
2. A temporary assignment offered to an employee must be under the jurisdiction of the employee's appointing authority if such an assignment is available. If it is not so available, the appointing authority shall contact the department of personnel and determine if a temporary assignment that is modified according to the limitations or restrictions imposed on the employee's ability to work is available under the jurisdiction of another appointing authority.
3. If the employee is offered a temporary assignment under the jurisdiction of another appointing authority:
  - (a) The temporary assignment does not constitute a transfer to the position under the jurisdiction of the other appointing authority.
  - (b) The employee shall be deemed to remain in his regular position.
  - (c) The employee's original appointing authority is responsible for the payment of the employee's pay.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 7-1-94; A by R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.601 Temporary assignment: Accommodation of limitations or restrictions on employee's ability to work; duties of appointing authority; requirement of medical examination under certain circumstances.**

1. A temporary assignment offered to an employee pursuant to NAC 284.6004 must accommodate the limitations or restrictions imposed on the employee's ability to work by the employee's treating physician or chiropractor, as set forth in the physical assessments required pursuant to NAC 284.6002.
2. An appointing authority shall:
  - (a) Prepare a description of the duties of a temporary assignment to be offered to an employee with a disability related to work. The temporary assignment must be approved, in writing, by the employee's treating physician or chiropractor before it is offered to the employee.

- (b) Obtain the prior written approval of the employee's treating physician or chiropractor before making any changes in the duties of the temporary assignment that may not accommodate the limitations or restrictions imposed on the employee's ability to work.
3. An employee with a disability related to work may be required to submit himself for medical examination pursuant to the requirements set forth in NRS 616C.140 or 617.370 if his treating physician or chiropractor does not approve a temporary assignment to be offered to the employee.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 7-1-94)

**NAC 284.6012 Temporary assignment: Effect of family and medical leave. (NRS 284.345)** Except as otherwise provided by the Family and Medical Leave Act, an employee who is granted family and medical leave because a disability related to work prevents him from performing one or more of the essential duties of his regular position:

1. May not be required to accept a temporary assignment offered pursuant to NAC 284.6004 in lieu of continuing on the family and medical leave that has been authorized by his appointing authority.
2. May voluntarily accept a temporary assignment pursuant to NAC 284.6004. An employee who voluntarily accepts such a temporary assignment retains the right to be returned to the position he held before the temporary assignment or an equivalent position pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act until the time served in the temporary assignment plus any family and medical leave taken during a rolling 12-month period pursuant to NAC 284.5811 exceeds 12 work weeks.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 7-1-94; A 11-16-95; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.6013 Determination of date on which employee sustained permanent disability related to work. (NRS 284.155, 284.345)** For the purposes of NAC 284.6013 to 284.6019, inclusive, an employee shall be deemed to have sustained a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work on the date on which the insurer first causes notice to be delivered to him stating that his treating physician or chiropractor has informed the insurer pursuant to NRS 616C.590 that the employee has permanent physical restrictions which prevent him from returning to work in his regular position.

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**NAC 284.6014 Eligibility of employee with permanent disability for reemployment. (NRS 284.155, 284.345)**

1. An employee is eligible for reemployment under this section if:
  - (a) He is a permanent employee;
  - (b) He would otherwise have continued in his regular position;
  - (c) He is unable to perform the essential functions of his regular position, even with reasonable accommodation, because he has a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work;
  - (d) The risk management division of the department of administration receives notification from the insurer certifying that the employee has a medical condition which, in the opinion of the medical advisor to the insurer, will result in a permanent partial disability;
  - (e) The risk management division of the department of administration receives notification from the insurer certifying that the employee has permanent physical restrictions as a result of his permanent disability and that he is eligible for vocational rehabilitation benefits;

- (f) The risk management division of the department of administration receives notification from the insurer certifying that the employee's claim for benefits from the insurer is not being contested through the hearing and appeal process provided pursuant to chapters 616A to 617, inclusive, of NRS; and
  - (g) He submits to the department of personnel a completed job development form supplied by the department not later than 30 days after the date on which he sustained his permanent disability.
- 2. A person is entitled to reemployment under this section only within the department that employed him at the time he sustained his permanent disability. Such entitlement to reemployment applies to the class and option of his regular position and to any class for which the employee qualifies that does not exceed the grade level of his regular position.
  - 3. A person is entitled to reemployment under this section only in a full-time position if his regular position was on a full-time basis. A person whose regular position was on a part-time, seasonal or intermittent basis only is entitled to reemployment on the same basis as his regular position. A person who is entitled to reemployment on a full-time basis may be reemployed on either a full-time or part-time basis, as appropriate, based on his permanent physical restrictions as certified by the insurer.
  - 4. The employee, his appointing authority and his vocational rehabilitation counselor shall provide any necessary information for job development and reemployment on the forms prescribed by the department of personnel.

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**NAC 284.6015 Risk management division to provide certain information regarding permanent disability of employee to department of personnel and appointing authority. (NRS 284.155, 284.345)** The risk management division of the department of administration shall provide to the department of personnel and to an employee's appointing authority the following information regarding the employee when the information becomes known to the division:

- 1. The date on which the employee sustained a permanent disability arising from a disability related to work;
- 2. The date on which the employee will no longer be eligible for vocational rehabilitation benefits;
- 3. Any written agreement signed by the employee for the payment of compensation in a lump sum in lieu of the provision of vocational rehabilitation benefits; and
- 4. Any determination by the insurer that the employee is not entitled to compensation for a permanent partial disability.

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**NAC 284.6016 Family and medical leave for certain disabled employees.** An employee who has a disability related to work that prevents him from performing one or more of the essential functions of his regular position may remain on family and medical leave as authorized by his appointing authority until his entitlement to such leave is exhausted. If the employee is eligible for reemployment pursuant to NAC 284.6014, he voluntarily may seek reemployment while he is on family and medical leave.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.6017 Determination of placement on reemployment list of name of employee who sustained permanent disability related to work.**

1. The name of a person who is eligible for reemployment pursuant to NAC 284.6014 will be placed on a reemployment list in the order of seniority and, if applicable, will be integrated with the names of employees who are placed on a reemployment list pursuant to NAC 284.630, whenever there is a list certified to the department that employed the person in his regular position.
2. The department will use the same criteria for determining seniority for placement on a reemployment list pursuant to subsection 1 as that used for determining the seniority for a layoff, except that the length of employment for determining seniority must be counted up to the date that the person sustained his permanent disability.

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**NAC 284.6018 Status following reemployment of person with permanent disability; restoration of name to reemployment list following failure of such person to complete probationary period; rights of employee after expiration of his right to reemployment.**

1. An employee who is separated from state service and is reemployed pursuant to NAC 284.6014 in the same department, class, and option as his regular position will have his permanent status restored immediately upon reemployment.
2. An employee who is reemployed pursuant to NAC 284.6014 in a class or option that is different from the class or option of his regular position must serve a new probationary period. If the employee does not complete the probationary period and he is otherwise eligible for reemployment, his name must be restored to the appropriate reemployment list for any remaining part of the year following the date on which he sustained his permanent disability.
3. When the right to reemployment expires, the person affected retains his right to reinstatement or reappointment pursuant to NAC 284.386 or 284.404, respectively.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.6019 Limitations on eligibility for reemployment of person with permanent disability.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.6018, a person is no longer eligible for reemployment pursuant to NAC 284.6014:
  - (a) If he signs a written agreement providing for the payment of compensation in a lump sum in lieu of the provision of vocational rehabilitation benefits, unless such an agreement is subsequently rescinded in the manner set forth in NRS 616C.595;
  - (b) When he is no longer eligible for vocational rehabilitation benefits;
  - (c) When it is determined that the employee is not entitled to compensation for a permanent partial disability;
  - (d) If he accepts an offer of employment with the State of Nevada or another employer which accommodates his permanent physical restrictions or he is otherwise unavailable for employment;
  - (e) If he declines an offer of employment which accommodates his permanent physical restrictions and which is located in the same geographical location as his regular position;

- (f) If he is dismissed from the position for which he is reemployed for disciplinary reasons or because he retires;
  - (g) If he states his intention not to seek reemployment; or
  - (h) On or after the one year anniversary of the date on which he sustained his permanent disability.
2. Reemployment rights must not be offered more than one time for the same disability related to work.
  3. As used in this section, “geographical location” has the meaning ascribed to it in NAC 284.612.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-1-96)

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## SEPARATIONS FROM SERVICE

### **NRS 286.510 states, “Eligibility: Age and service of police officers, firemen and other employees; reduction of benefit for retirement before required age.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 3, a member of the system is eligible to retire at age 65 if he has at least 5 years of service, at age 60 if he has at least 10 years of service and at any age if he has at least 30 years of service.
2. A police officer or fireman is eligible to retire at age 65 if he has at least 5 years of service, at age 55 if he has at least 10 years of service, at age 50 if he has at least 20 years of service and at any age if he has at least 25 years of service. Only service performed in a position as a police officer or fireman, established as such by statute or regulation, service performed pursuant to subsection 3 and credit for military service, may be counted toward eligibility for retirement pursuant to this subsection.
3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, a police officer or fireman who has at least 5 years of service as a police officer or fireman and is otherwise eligible to apply for disability retirement pursuant to NRS 286.620 because of an injury arising out of and in the course of his employment remains eligible for retirement pursuant to subsection 2 if:
  - (a) He applies to the board for disability retirement and the board approves his application;
  - (b) In lieu of a disability retirement allowance, he accepts another position with the public employer with which he was employed when he became disabled as soon as practicable but not later than 90 days after the board approves his application for disability retirement;
  - (c) He remains continuously employed by that public employer until he becomes eligible for retirement pursuant to subsection 2; and
  - (d) After he accepts a position pursuant to paragraph (b), his contributions are paid at the rate that is actuarially determined for police officers and firemen until he becomes eligible for retirement pursuant to subsection 2.
4. If a police officer or fireman who accepted another position with the public employer with which he was employed when he became disabled pursuant to subsection 3 ceases to work for that public employer before becoming eligible to retire pursuant to subsection 2, he may begin to receive a disability retirement allowance without further approval by the board by notifying the board on a form prescribed by the board.
5. Eligibility for retirement, as provided in this section, does not require the member to have been a participant in the system at the beginning of his credited service.
6. Any member who has the years of creditable service necessary to retire but has not attained the required age, if any, may retire at any age with a benefit actuarially reduced to the required retirement age. Except as otherwise required as a result of NRS 286.537, a retirement benefit pursuant to this subsection must be reduced by 4 percent of the unmodified benefit for each full year that the member is under the appropriate retirement age, and an additional 0.33 percent for each additional month that the member is under the appropriate retirement age. Any option selected pursuant to this subsection must be reduced by an amount proportionate to the reduction provided in this subsection for the unmodified benefit. The board may adjust the actuarial

reduction based upon an experience study of the system and recommendation by the actuary.”

**NRS 284.381 states, “Limitation on revocation of resignation by employee.** Once an employee’s written resignation is accepted by his appointing authority, the employee may not revoke the resignation, regardless of the effective date set forth in it, if 3 or more working days have elapsed since its acceptance, unless the appointing authority approves the revocation.”

**NAC 284.602 Resignations. (NRS 284.155)**

1. An employee who desires to resign may do so by notifying the appointing authority in writing of the reason for the resignation and its effective date.
2. The employee must attempt to submit his resignation at least 2 weeks before he leaves.
3. The appointing authority shall report and the employee shall acknowledge the resignation to the department of personnel on a form provided by the department of personnel. The form must contain a statement of the employee’s right to revoke his resignation pursuant to NRS 284.381.

[Personnel Div., Rule XIII § A subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73; A 2-5-82; Rule XIII § A part subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73; A 4-14-76; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 12-17-87; R043-99, 9-27-99)

**NAC 284.608 Termination of seasonal employee.** An employee in a seasonal position must receive at least 1 week’s notice of separation due to lack of money or a lack of work. The provisions of this chapter which relate to layoffs, including rights of displacement, do not apply to seasonal separations.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NRS 392.920 states in part, “Terminating or threatening to terminate employment of parent, guardian or custodian of child for appearance or notification concerning child; penalty; civil remedy.**

1. It is unlawful for an employer or his agent to:
  - (a) Terminate the employment of a person who, as the parent, guardian or custodian of a child:
    - (1) Appears at a conference requested by an administrator of the school attended by the child; or
    - (2) Is notified during his work by a school employee of an emergency regarding the child; or
  - (b) Assert to the person that his appearance or prospective appearance at such a conference or the receipt of such a notification during his work will result in the termination of his employment.”

**NRS 62.900 states in part “Terminating or threatening to terminate employment of parent for appearance at proceeding prohibited; penalty; civil remedy.**

1. It is unlawful for an employer or his agent to:
  - (a) Terminate the employment of a person who, as the parent, guardian or custodian of a child, appears with or on behalf of the child in any court, as a consequence of his appearance or prospective appearance in court; or
  - (b) Assert to the person that his appearance or prospective appearance with or on behalf of the child will result in the termination of his employment, if the employer or his agent receives notice of the appearance.”

**NRS 286.430 (retirement) states in part, “Withdrawal of contributions.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8 and NRS 286.300, a member may withdraw the employee contributions credited to his individual account if:
  - (a) He has terminated service for which contribution is required; or
  - (b) He is employed in a position for which contribution is prohibited...
8. A member who transfers to a position for which contribution is prohibited must remain in that position for at least 90 days before he is eligible to receive a refund pursuant to this section.”

**NRS 286.440 states in part, “Redeposit of withdrawn contributions upon return to service: Procedure.**

1. Whenever a member, who has previously withdrawn the amount credited to him as provided in NRS 286.430, returns to the service of a public employer participating in the system and remains a contributing member for 6 months, he may:
  - (a) Make repayment in a lump sum plus interest from the date he withdrew his contributions to the date of repayment; or
  - (b) With the approval of the executive officer, enter into an agreement containing a schedule of payments to repay the withdrawn contributions plus interest from the date of withdrawal to the date of repayment. Payments shall not be less than \$10 per month.

For the purposes of this subsection, interest shall be computed at the assumed investment income rate used in the actuarial valuation of the system next preceding the date of repayment under paragraph (a) or agreement under paragraph (b).”

**NRS 284.379 states, “Separation or disability retirement of person with disability.** In the employment and utilization of a person with a disability in the state service, continued efforts must be made to retain the person by making reasonable accommodations that enable him to meet the necessary performance requirements and to enjoy the benefits and privileges of his position. Separation or disability retirement is in order only after it becomes apparent that a condition does not respond to treatment.”

**NRS 281.390 states, “Sick leave of public employees: Election of benefits; amount limited when eligible for benefits for industrial or occupational disease.**

5. The public employee may decline to use any or part of the sick leave benefit normally payable to him while receiving benefits pursuant to chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, or 617 of NRS. During that time, the employee must be considered on leave of absence without pay.”

**NAC 284.611 Separation for physical, mental or emotional disorder. (NRS 284.155, 284.345)**

1. Before separating an employee because of a physical, mental or emotional disorder which results in the inability of the employee to perform the essential functions of his job, the appointing authority shall:
  - (a) Verify with the employee’s physician that the condition does not respond to treatment or an extended absence from work will be required;
  - (b) Determine whether reasonable accommodation can be made to enable the employee to perform the essential functions of his job;
  - (c) Request the services of the rehabilitation division of the department of employment, training and rehabilitation, or if the employee is receiving worker’s compensation, the rehabilitation agency of the insurer, to evaluate the employee’s condition as it relates to his job, to suggest possible restructuring of the job or transferring the employee to a vacant position for which he meets the minimum qualifications and to provide any other rehabilitative services possible; and
  - (d) Ensure that all reasonable efforts have been made to retain the employee.
2. A separation is only justified when:
  - (a) The information obtained through the procedures specified in subsection 1 supports the decision to separate;
  - (b) The employee is not on sick leave, annual leave or other approved leave; and
  - (c) The employee is ineligible for, or has refused, disability retirement.
3. A permanent employee separated pursuant to this section is entitled to the same rights and privileges afforded permanent employees who are dismissed for disciplinary reasons. The procedures contained in NAC 284.656 must be followed, and he may appeal his separation to the hearing officer.
4. A permanent employee who is separated because of a physical, mental or emotional disorder is eligible for reinstatement pursuant to NAC 284.386 if he recovers from the disorder within 2 years after his termination.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-1-91; 12-26-91; 7-6-92; R197-99, 1-26-2000)

**NRS 284.380 states, “Layoffs; reemployment lists.**

1. In accordance with regulations, an appointing authority may lay off an employee in the classified service whenever he deems it necessary by reason of shortage of work or money or of the abolition of a position or of other material changes in duties or organization.
2. Among other factors, an appointing authority shall consider, in the manner provided by regulation, the status, seniority and service rating of employees in determining the order of layoffs.
3. Within a reasonable time before the effective date of a proposed layoff, the appointing authority shall give written notice thereof to the director. The director shall make such orders relating thereto as he considers necessary to secure compliance with the regulations.
4. The name of every regular employee so laid off must be placed on an appropriate reemployment list.”

**NRS 286.3007 states in part, “Purchase by state agency of credit for service: Conditions.**

3. If a state agency is required to reduce the number of its employees, it shall purchase credit for service pursuant to NRS 286.300 for any member who:
  - (a) Is eligible to purchase credit;
  - (b) Is eligible to retire or will be made eligible by the purchase of the credit;
  - (c) Agrees to retire upon completion of the purchase; and
  - (d) Has been employed by the agency for 5 or more years.
4. If a state agency is required to purchase credit pursuant to subsection 3, it shall pay 5 percent of the cost of purchasing the credit and an additional 5 percent of the cost for each year that the person has been employed by the agency in excess of the minimum requirement of 5 years.”

**NAC 284.612 Layoffs: Definitions. (NRS 284.155)** For the purposes of NAC 284.612 to 284.630, inclusive:

1. “Geographical location” means:
  - (a) Clark, Lincoln, Nye and Esmeralda counties;
  - (b) Carson City, Lyon, Churchill, Storey, Douglas, Mineral and Washoe counties;
  - (c) Pershing, Humboldt, Elko, Lander, Eureka and White Pine counties; or
  - (d) Any city located outside of this state.
2. “Option” means a clearly identified subclassification mentioned in the class specification approved by the commission.
3. “Seniority” is computed from the total time spent during currently continuous state service by doubling the time spent in the present occupational group as defined in NRS 284.171, and adding it to the time spent in all former occupational groups. If seniority is otherwise equal, a choice must be made in the following order:
  - (a) Based on total time within the occupational group;
  - (b) Based on total time within the department; and

- (c) By lot.

For reemployment, ties are broken by lot.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 8-26-83; A 10-26-84; 7-21-89; 11-16-95; R146-01, 1-18-2002)

**NAC 284.614 Layoffs: Procedure. (NRS 284.155, 284.335, 284.380)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.438, if it becomes necessary for a classified employee to be laid off because of a shortage of work or money, the abolition of a position, or some other material change in duties or organization:
  - (a) The administrator of the department shall determine in what geographical location, class series, class and option the reductions in staff will have the least detrimental effect on the operations of the department and shall specify layoffs accordingly. In the department of human resources and the University and Community College System of Nevada, the administrator of a division, with the approval of the director of the department, shall determine in what geographical location, class series, class and option the reduction of staff will have the least detrimental effect on operations and shall specify the layoffs accordingly.
  - (b) Within the department, and within the geographical location, class series, class and option selected, all employees of the department who are not permanent must be laid off before any permanent employees in the following order:
    - (1) Emergency employees.
    - (2) Temporary employees.
    - (3) Provisional employees.
    - (4) Probationary employees.
  - (c) If additional reductions are necessary, permanent employees must be laid off on the basis of performance and seniority. In computing seniority, the time covered by a report on performance which rated an employee "below standard" or "unacceptable" during the 4 years immediately preceding the notification of layoff must not be included, except that no report may be considered for the time covered within 75 calendar days before the notification of layoff was issued. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the time covered by a report of substandard performance commences on the date on which the report was filed with the director and ends on the date recorded on the employee's subsequent report on performance as the date on which his performance improved to standard or better. If the subsequent report on performance is not filed within the 90-day period required by subsection 4 of NRS 284.340, the employee's performance shall be deemed standard effective on the date on which the subsequent report on performance was due.
  - (d) In the department and within the geographical location, class series, class and option where layoffs are to take place, those employees with the least seniority must be laid off.
  - (e) For the purposes of this subsection, an appointing authority may consider whether positions are full time or part time and limit layoffs to full-time or part-time employees. Similar considerations may be given to and limitations placed on positions requiring selective certification pursuant to NAC 284.378.
2. When determining seniority for order of layoff:

- (a) Seniority must be projected and counted up to the established date of layoff.
- (b) Seniority for part-time employment must be prorated to its full-time equivalent.
- (c) If a classified employee enters unclassified service and subsequently reenters classified service, his previous and current classified service is counted.
- (d) Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.580, any combination of authorized leave without pay and catastrophic leave for more than 240 hours or, in the case of an exempt classified employee, 30 working days, in a year, calculated pursuant to subsection 5 of NAC 284.182, is not counted.
- (e) When an employee was separated from service with this state for any of the reasons that do not result in a break in continuous service as provided in NAC 284.598, the time during the separation is not counted.

[Personnel Div., Rule XIII § B subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-26-83; 8-28-85; 8-22-86; 7-21-89; 8-1-91; 3-27-92; 9-16-92; 11-16-95; 10-27-97; R031-98, 4-17-98; R043-99, 9-27-99; R146-01, 1-18-2002; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.618 Layoffs: Voluntary demotions. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. In lieu of being laid off, a permanent employee may choose to be voluntarily demoted within the department and geographical location where employed to one of the next lower classes:
  - (a) Within his current class series and option and may displace an employee therein; or
  - (b) Within the class series and option from which he was appointed during current continuous service and may displace an employee therein but only if he cannot be demoted pursuant to paragraph (a). If the class series from which he was employed was in a different occupational group, his seniority for the purposes of this paragraph only is based on the time he spent in the former occupational group as provided in subsection 3 of NAC 284.612.

The choice must be made in writing within 3 working days after notification of layoff. For the purposes of this section, divisions of the department of human resources and the University and Community College System of Nevada are considered departments.

2. No employee in a higher class may displace an employee in a lower class who has more seniority. If an employee chooses to displace another, he must displace the member of the next lower class who has the least seniority. If that member has more seniority, the displacing employee must descend further in the class series.
3. The employees displaced reestablish the layoff class.
4. An employee may choose to displace another only if he meets the minimum qualifications for the class, option, and position from which the other will be displaced. For the purposes of this subsection, qualifications for a position may be different from those of the class and option only when selective certification is required pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 284.378.
5. Full-time, part-time and seasonal employees must be treated separately and can only displace like employees.
6. Displacement is always a downward movement, never a lateral movement.
7. A current employee who elects to displace another employee has priority over former employees already on reemployment lists.

8. The pay of the displacing employee cannot exceed the highest step for the lower class. If the current pay falls within the lower rate range, no reduction in pay may occur unless money is not available as certified by the chief of the budget division or, in the case of an agency which is not supported from the state general fund, as certified by the administrator of that agency.

[Personnel Div., Rule XIII § B subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-26-83; 10-26-84; 7-21-89; 8-1-91; R146-01, 1-18-2002)

**NAC 284.626 Layoffs: Notice.** All permanent employees to be laid off must be given written notice of the layoff at least 30 calendar days before the effective date of the layoff. A copy of the layoff computations and a copy of the notice must be sent to the department of personnel. The notice must specifically list the positions and locations where that employee has a current right to displace another employee, if those positions and locations are known at the time of notification.

[Personnel Div., Rule XIII § B subsec. 5, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-26-83; 8-1-91)

**NAC 284.630 Layoffs: Reemployment.**

1. The names of permanent employees who have received their notices of layoff will be placed on the statewide reemployment list for the class and option of the position involved in the layoff, in order of seniority. If applicable, the names will be integrated with the names of employees who are eligible for reemployment pursuant to NAC 284.6014. The agency and the employee shall provide the necessary information for reemployment on the form prescribed by the department of personnel for the employee to be placed on the reemployment list.
2. The names of permanent employees who have received their notices of layoff will also be placed on the statewide reemployment list for other classes for which they qualify, in order of seniority, but behind those identified in subsection 1, if those classes do not respectively exceed the level of the class from which the employee was laid off. If applicable, the names will be integrated with the names of employees who are eligible for reemployment pursuant to NAC 284.6014. It is the affected employee's responsibility to demonstrate his interest in, and qualifications for, the classes for which reemployment is sought within 30 days after the date set for his layoff.
3. Part-time employees are not entitled to be reemployed in full-time positions and full-time employees are not entitled to be reemployed in part-time positions.
4. Seniority must be projected and counted up to the established layoff date, or transfer date if the provisions of subsection 2 of NAC 284.390 apply. Seniority determines ranking on all reemployment lists. The amount of seniority will not be recalculated unless the holder is affected by a subsequent layoff.
5. Each person on the list retains eligibility for appointment therefrom for 1 year from the date he was laid off. Except as otherwise provided in this section, reemployment rights are exhausted when a person accepts or declines an offer of employment in the class or a comparable class with the same grade from the department and geographical location from which he was laid off. Any exception to this provision may be made only if approved by the department of personnel. When a person accepts a position at a grade lower than that held at the time of layoff, his name will be removed from all reemployment lists that are equal to or below the grade accepted.
6. A permanent employee who has been laid off and is being reemployed in the department, class, and option from which he was laid off must have his permanent status restored. A permanent employee who is reemployed in a different class or in a different department than from which laid



off shall serve a new probationary period. If the employee does not complete the probationary period his name must be restored to the appropriate reemployment list for any remaining part of the year following the date on which he was laid off. When the right to reemployment expires, the person affected retains his right to reinstatement or reappointment pursuant to NAC 284.386 or 284.404, respectively.

[Personnel Div., Rule XIII § B subsec. 6, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-26-83; 10-26-84; 7-21-89; 8-1-91; 11-12-93; 3-1-96)

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## **DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES**

**NRS 284.383 states, “Use of disciplinary measures; employee entitled to receive copy of findings or recommendations.**

1. The commission shall adopt by regulation a system for administering disciplinary measures against a state employee in which, except in cases of serious violations of law or regulations, less severe measures are applied at first, after which more severe measures are applied only if less severe measures have failed to correct the employee’s deficiencies.
2. The system adopted pursuant to subsection 1 must provide that a state employee is entitled to receive a copy of any findings or recommendations made by an appointing authority or his representative, if any, regarding proposed disciplinary action.”

**NRS 289.060 states, “Notification and interrogation of officer if investigation could lead to punitive action.**

1. The agency shall, within a reasonable time before any interrogation or hearing is held relating to an investigation of the activities of a peace officer which may result in punitive action, provide written notice to the officer if practical under the circumstances.
2. The notice must include:
  - (a) A description of the nature of the investigation;
  - (b) A summary of alleged misconduct of the peace officer;
  - (c) The date, time and place of the interrogation or hearing;
  - (d) The name and rank of the officer in charge of the investigation and the officers who will conduct any interrogation;
  - (e) The name of any other person who will be present at any interrogation or hearing; and
  - (f) A statement setting forth the provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 289.080.
3. The agency shall:
  - (a) Interrogate the officer during his regular working hours, if reasonably practicable, or compensate him for that time based on his regular wages if no charges arise from the interrogation.
  - (b) Limit the scope of the questions during the interrogation or hearing to the alleged misconduct of the officer.
  - (c) Allow the officer to explain an answer or refute a negative implication which results from questioning during an interrogation or hearing.”

**NRS 289.080 states, “Right to presence of attorney or other representative; confidential information; disclosure; punitive action by law enforcement agency prohibited; record of interrogation or hearing.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a peace officer may upon request have a lawyer or other representative of his choosing present with the peace officer during any phase of an interrogation or hearing.
2. The representative must not otherwise be connected to, or the subject of, the same investigation.
3. Any information that the representative obtains from the peace officer concerning the investigation

is confidential and must not be disclosed except upon the:

- (a) Request of the peace officer; or
- (b) Lawful order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

A law enforcement agency shall not take punitive action against the representative for his failure or refusal to disclose such information.

- 4. The peace officer or the law enforcement agency may make a stenographic or magnetic record of the interrogation or hearing. If the agency records the proceedings, the agency shall at the officer's request and expense provide a copy of the:
  - (a) Stenographic transcript of the proceedings; or
  - (b) Recording on the magnetic tape."

**NRS 31.298 states, "Garnishment of earnings: Unlawful to discharge or discipline employee.** It is unlawful for an employer to discharge or discipline an employee exclusively because the employer is required to withhold the employee's earnings pursuant to a writ of garnishment."

**NRS 414.260 states in part, "Membership in volunteer search and rescue or reserve unit of sheriff's department or Civil Air Patrol: Discharge of employee for membership prohibited; exceptions; civil remedy.**

- 1. Any person, including a government, governmental agency or political subdivision of a government, who employs a person or is vested with the power to discharge or recommend the discharge of a person shall not deprive that person of his employment for any reason specifically relating to his service as a member of a volunteer search and rescue or reserve unit of a sheriff's department or a Civil Air Patrol unit unless:
  - (a) The employee failed to comply with the provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 414.250; or
  - (b) The employer has given notice to the employee pursuant to the provisions of subsection 2 of NRS 414.250."

**NRS 613.333 states in part, "Unlawful employment practices: Discrimination for lawful use of any product outside premises of employer which does not adversely affect job performance or safety of other employees.**

- 1. It is an unlawful employment practice for an employer to:
  - (a) Fail or refuse to hire a prospective employee; or
  - (b) Discharge or otherwise discriminate against any employee concerning his compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment,because he engages in the lawful use in this state of any product outside the premises of the employer during his nonworking hours, if that use does not adversely affect his ability to perform his job or the safety of other employees."

#### **NAC 284.638 Warnings and written reprimands.**

- 1. If an employee's performance falls below standard or if an employee's conduct comes under one of the causes for action listed in NAC 284.650, the supervisor shall inform the employee promptly and specifically of the deficiencies.

2. If appropriate and justified, following a discussion of the matter, a reasonable period of time for improvement or correction may be allowed before initiating disciplinary action.
3. In situations where an oral warning does not cause a correction of the condition or where a more severe initial action is warranted, a written reprimand prepared on a form prescribed by the department of personnel must be sent to the employee and a copy placed in the employee's personnel folder which is filed with the department of personnel.

[Personnel Div., Rule XII § A, eff. 8-11-73; + Rule XV part § A, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74; 2-5-82]—  
(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 10-18-89; 11-16-95)

**NRS 284.385 Dismissals, demotions and suspensions.**

1. An appointing authority may:
  - (a) Dismiss or demote any permanent classified employee when he considers that the good of the public service will be served thereby.
  - (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 284.148, suspend without pay, for disciplinary purposes, a permanent employee for a period not to exceed 30 days.
2. A dismissal, involuntary demotion or suspension does not become effective until the employee is notified in writing of the dismissal, involuntary demotion or suspension and the reasons therefor. The notice may be delivered personally to the employee or mailed to him at his last known address by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. If the notice is mailed, the effective date of the dismissal, involuntary demotion or suspension shall be deemed to be the date of delivery or if the letter is returned to the sender, 3 days after mailing.
3. No employee in the classified service may be dismissed for religious or racial reasons.

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE: SAM 1702.0 provides: "Prior to the imposition of any suspension, demotion or termination of an employee, an appointing authority must first consult with the Attorney General regarding the proposed discipline."**

**NAC 284.642 Suspensions. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.383, 284.385)**

1. If a written reprimand is not effective, or if the seriousness of the offense or condition warrants, an employee may be suspended without pay by the appointing authority for a period not to exceed 30 calendar days for any cause or causes listed in NAC 284.650. The rights and procedures contained in NAC 284.656 apply to a suspension ordered pursuant to this section.

2. An exempt classified employee may only be suspended without pay in increments of one or more full work weeks.

[Personnel Div., Rule XII § B, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 3-23-94; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.646 Demotions and dismissals.**

1. If other forms of disciplinary or corrective action have proved ineffective or when the seriousness of the offense or condition warrants, the appointing authority may demote or dismiss the employee for any cause or causes listed in NAC 284.650. The rights and procedures contained in NAC 284.656 apply to a disciplinary action taken pursuant to this section.
2. An appointing authority may, in his discretion, reappoint a demoted employee to his former class.

[Personnel Div., Rule XII § C, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.650 Causes for disciplinary action. (NRS 284.155, 284.383)** Appropriate disciplinary or corrective action may be taken for any of the following causes:

1. Activity which is incompatible with an employee's conditions of employment established by law or which violates a provision of NAC 284.653 or 284.738 to 284.771, inclusive.
2. Disgraceful personal conduct which impairs the performance of a job or causes discredit to the agency.
3. The employee of any institution administering a security program, in the considered judgment of the appointing authority, violates or endangers the security of the institution.
4. Discourteous treatment of the public or fellow employees while on duty.
5. Incompetence or inefficiency.
6. Insubordination or willful disobedience.
7. Inexcusable neglect of duty.
8. Fraud in securing appointment.
9. Prohibited political activity.
10. Dishonesty.
11. Abuse, damage to or waste of public equipment, property or supplies because of inexcusable negligence or willful acts.
12. Drug or alcohol abuse as described in NRS 284.4062 and NAC 284.884.
13. Conviction of any criminal act involving moral turpitude.
14. Being under the influence of intoxicants, a controlled substance without a medical doctor's prescription or any other illegally used substances while on duty and performing a function that does not involve the operation of a motor vehicle.
15. Unauthorized absence from duty or abuse of leave privileges.
16. Violation of any rule of the commission.
17. Falsification of any records.
18. Misrepresentation of official capacity or authority.

19. The suspension, revocation or cancellation of a professional or occupational license, certificate or permit or driver's license if the possession of the professional or occupational license, certificate or permit or driver's license is a requirement of the position at the time of appointment as stated in the standards of work performance, essential functions or specification of class for the position, or in other documentation provided to the employee at the time of appointment, or required thereafter pursuant to federal or state law.
20. Violation of any safety rule adopted or enforced by the employee's appointing authority.
21. Carrying, while on the premises of the workplace, any firearm which is not required for the performance of the employee's current job duties or authorized by his appointing authority. As used in this subsection, "workplace" means any building, office, or location specifically intended to serve as a place where work is performed by an employee during the course of a workday, including, without limitation, irregular shifts. The term does not include parking lots, garages or vehicle depots, unless those areas constitute an employee's usual and customary work site, or locations that serve as both living quarters and work sites, except when the living quarters are also used to care for children pursuant to a state program or as otherwise authorized by the state.
22. Any act of violence which arises out of or in the course of the performance of the employee's duties, including, without limitation, stalking, conduct that is threatening or intimidating, assault or battery.

[Personnel Div., Rule XII § D, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-22-87; 12-26-91; 7-1-94; 11-16-95; R031-98, 4-17-98; A by Personnel Comm'n by R065-98, 7-24-98)

**NRS 193.105 states in part, "Termination of employment, removal from office or impeachment of public employee or officer upon conviction for sale of controlled substance.**

1. If, during the course of his employment, an employee of the state or of any political subdivision of the state is convicted on or after October 1, 1989, of violating any federal or state law prohibiting the sale of any controlled substance, the employer upon discovery of the conviction shall terminate the employment of the employee."

**NAC 284.653 Driving under the influence; unlawful acts involving controlled substance.**

1. An employee who is convicted of driving under the influence in violation of NRS 484.379 or of any other offense for which driving under the influence is an element of the offense, and the offense occurred while he was driving a state vehicle, or a privately owned vehicle on state business, or who is convicted of the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance at his place of work or on state business, is subject to the following disciplinary action as determined by the appointing authority:
  - (a) For the first offense:
    - (1) Dismissal;
    - (2) Demotion, if permitted by the organizational structure of the agency for which he is employed;
    - (3) Suspension for 30 calendar days; or
    - (4) Suspension for 30 calendar days and demotion.

- (b) For the second offense within 5 years, dismissal.
- 2. An employee who is suspended or demoted pursuant to subsection 1 must agree to be evaluated through the employee assistance program and must complete any rehabilitation program recommended by the evaluation. If he fails to complete the program, he must be dismissed.
- 3. Pursuant to NRS 193.105, an employee who is convicted of violating any state or federal law prohibiting the sale of a controlled substance must be dismissed.
- 4. An employee must report a conviction of any offense described in this section to his appointing authority within 5 working days after it occurs. If he fails to make that report, he must be dismissed.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 7-22-87; A 4-20-90; 3-27-92)

**NAC 284.656 Notice and hearing.**

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if an appointing authority proposes that a permanent employee be dismissed, suspended or demoted, the following procedure must be followed unless waived in writing by the employee:
  - (a) The employee must be given at least 10 working days' written notice of the proposed action. The notice must be on the form provided by the department of personnel and may be given in person or by mail. If it is mailed, the notice must be mailed to the employee's last known address by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. The date stamped on the receipt by the postal service is the date of delivery. If the notice is returned without a return receipt signed by the employee, the employee's date of receipt shall be deemed to be the third day after the date of the mailing.
  - (b) The notice must:
    - (1) Specify the proposed date on which the action is effective.
    - (2) Inform the employee that a hearing has been scheduled on his behalf and specify the date, time and place of the hearing.
    - (3) Specify the charges, the reasons for them and the cause of action contained in NAC 284.650 on which the proposed action is based.
  - (c) The hearing must be scheduled to take place no earlier than 7 working days after the written notice of the proposed action is delivered or deemed received pursuant to paragraph (a). The hearing may not be scheduled on a day which is not a regular working day for the employee.
  - (d) If the appointing authority or his designated representative and the employee agree, the date of the hearing may be changed.
  - (e) The notice of the proposed action must be signed by the appointing authority or his designated representative. Upon its receipt, the employee must be asked to sign the notice. If he refuses to sign the notice, his refusal must be noted on the notice. The employee's signature is not an admission by him of any of the allegations set forth in the notice.
  - (f) The employee may examine, at any time after receiving the notice and before the hearing, all materials which are to be used by the person conducting the hearing. The employee is entitled to receive upon request a total of up to 8 hours of administrative leave with pay to prepare for the hearings regarding his suspension, demotion or dismissal.



- (g) If the employee does not understand the reasons for the proposed action or the procedure, the employee may seek an explanation from the appointing authority or another person in the agency familiar with the procedure.
  - (h) The employee may respond both orally and in writing to the appointing authority or his designated representative at the hearing.
  - (i) The appointing authority or his designated representative shall conduct the hearing. The designated representative must be a person with authority to recommend a final decision to the appointing authority. He may not render the final decision.
  - (j) The employee must be:
    - (1) Given a copy of the finding or recommendation, if any, resulting from the hearing; and
    - (2) Informed, in writing, of the appointing authority's decision regarding the proposed action on or before the effective date of the action.
  - (k) The employee may waive his right to a hearing in writing. If the employee waives his right to the hearing, he may not be dismissed, suspended, or demoted before the proposed effective date. The waiver does not waive the employee's right to an appeal after the action is taken.
  - (l) This process is an informal proceeding between the two parties, the appointing authority or his designated representative and the employee, who meet together to discuss the proposed action. Witnesses are not permitted to attend, but each party may be accompanied by a person of his choice.
2. The procedure specified in subsection 1 need not be followed before dismissing or suspending a permanent employee if the circumstances give the appointing authority a reasonable cause to believe that the retention of an employee on active duty poses a threat to life, limb or property or may be seriously detrimental to the interests of the state.
  3. If the circumstances set forth in subsection 2 are present, the appointing authority may temporarily assign the employee to duties in which those circumstances do not exist or, if the temporary assignment is not feasible:
    - (a) Immediately place the employee on administrative leave with pay until the procedure set forth in subsection 1 has been followed; or
    - (b) Immediately suspend or dismiss the employee. In this case the appointing authority, his designated representative, or the employee's supervisor shall attempt to inform the employee before the action is taken of the charges against him and provide the employee with an opportunity to rebut the charges. The procedure set forth in subsection 1 must be followed as soon as practicable after the immediate suspension or dismissal.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 8-28-85; 7-21-89; 8-1-91; A by Personnel Comm'n, 8-1-91; A by Dep't of Personnel, 11-12-93; 11-16-95; 11-16-95)

**NRS 284.390 states, "Hearing to determine reasonableness of dismissal, demotion or suspension; judicial review.**

1. Within 10 working days after the effective date of his dismissal, demotion or suspension pursuant to NRS 284.385, an employee who has been dismissed, demoted or suspended may request in writing a hearing before the hearing officer of the department to determine the reasonableness of

the action. The request may be made by mail and shall be deemed timely if it is postmarked within 10 working days after the effective date of the employee's dismissal, demotion or suspension.

2. The hearing officer shall grant the employee a hearing within 20 working days after receipt of the employee's written request unless the time limitation is waived, in writing, by the employee or there is a conflict with the hearing calendar of the hearing officer, in which case the hearing must be scheduled for the earliest possible date after the expiration of the 20 days.
3. The employee may represent himself at the hearing or be represented by an attorney or other person of the employee's own choosing.
4. Technical rules of evidence do not apply at the hearing.
5. After the hearing and consideration of the evidence, the hearing officer shall render his decision in writing, setting forth the reasons therefor.
6. If the hearing officer determines that the dismissal, demotion or suspension was without just cause as provided in NRS 284.385, the action must be set aside and the employee must be reinstated, with full pay for the period of dismissal, demotion or suspension.
7. The decision of the hearing officer is binding on the parties.
8. Any petition for judicial review of the decision of the hearing officer must be filed in accordance with the provisions of chapter 233B of NRS."

## ADJUSTMENT OF GRIEVANCES

**NRS 284.384 states, “Adjustment of certain grievances: Regulations; appeal to employee-management committee; representation of employee.**

1. The director shall propose, and the commission shall adopt, regulations which provide for the adjustment of grievances for which a hearing is not provided by NRS 284.165, 284.245, 284.3629, 284.376 or 284.390. Any grievance for which a hearing is not provided by NRS 284.165, 284.245, 284.3629, 284.376 or 284.390 is subject to adjustment pursuant to this section.
2. The regulations must provide procedures for:
  - (a) Consideration and adjustment of the grievance within the agency in which it arose.
  - (b) Submission to the employee-management committee for a final decision if the employee is still dissatisfied with the resolution of the dispute.
3. The regulations must include provisions for:
  - (a) Submitting each proposed resolution of a dispute which has a fiscal effect to the budget division of the department of administration for a determination by that division whether the resolution is feasible on the basis of its fiscal effects; and
  - (b) Making the resolution binding.
4. Any grievance which is subject to adjustment pursuant to this section may be appealed to the employee-management committee for a final decision.
5. The employee may represent himself at any hearing regarding a grievance which is subject to adjustment pursuant to this section or be represented by an attorney or other person of the employee’s own choosing.
6. As used in this section, “grievance” means an act, omission or occurrence which an employee who has attained permanent status feels constitutes an injustice relating to any condition arising out of the relationship between an employer and an employee, including, but not limited to, compensation, working hours, working conditions, membership in an organization of employees or the interpretation of any law, regulation or disagreement.”

**NRS 241.033 states in part, “Closed meeting to consider character, misconduct, competence or health of person: Written notice to person required; exception; copy of record.**

1. A public body shall not hold a meeting to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence, or physical or mental health of any person unless it has given written notice to that person of the time and place of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the written notice must be:
  - (a) Delivered personally to that person at least 5 working days before the meeting; or
  - (b) Sent by certified mail to the last known address of that person at least 21 working days before the meeting.

A public body must receive proof of service of the notice required by this subsection before such a meeting may be held.”

**NAC 284.658 “Grievance” defined. (NRS 284.155, 284.384)**

1. As used in NAC 284.346 and 284.658 to 284.697, inclusive, a “grievance” means an act, omission or occurrence which a permanent employee feels constitutes an injustice relating to any condition arising out of the relationship between an employer and an employee, including, but not limited to, compensation, working hours, working conditions, membership in an organization of employees or the interpretation of any law, regulation or disagreement. The act, omission or occurrence must be established with factual information including, but not limited to, the date, time and place of the act, omission or occurrence and the names of other persons involved.
2. For the purposes of NAC 284.346 and 284.658 to 284.697, inclusive, the term “grievance” does not include any grievance for which a hearing is provided by NRS 284.165, 284.376 or 284.390.

[Personnel Div., Rule XV part § A, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 8-28-85; 10-18-89; 8-1-91; 3-27-92; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.662 Providing assistance to employee.**

1. An employee filing for a review of a grievance may be assisted or represented by any person of his choosing, if the person agrees to act in this capacity, at any step of the procedure except the initial informal discussion with his immediate supervisor.
2. If the assistant is a state employee, he may only assist on his own time.
3. An employee may not be discriminated against in recruitment, examination, appointment, training, promotion, retention, classification, or any other personnel action for informally seeking or formally filing a request to have his grievance reviewed, testifying on behalf of another employee, helping another employee prepare a grievance report, or acting as a representative of any employee requesting a review of a grievance.
4. To assist in resolving an employee’s grievance, the resources and consultation available to the department of personnel and the personnel offices of the agency must be made available to all parties.

[Personnel Div., Rule XV part § A, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.678 Statement of grievance: Contents; time to file. (NRS 284.155, 284.384)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, an employee who feels aggrieved and wishes to file a formal grievance must submit his grievance in writing to his immediate supervisor on the official form, or in a letter if the official form is not available, within 20 working days after the date of the origin of the grievance or the date the employee learns of the problem. The parties should make every effort to resolve the grievance through informal discussions within these 20 working days.
2. If the employee submits a letter, it must include:
  - (a) His name;
  - (b) His most recent date of hire;
  - (c) His position;
  - (d) His department, division and section;
  - (e) His mailing address;
  - (f) His business telephone number;
  - (g) A statement that he is filing a formal grievance;

- (h) The date, time and place of the event or the date the employee learns of the event leading to the grievance;
  - (i) A concise statement of his grievance;
  - (j) A detailed description of his grievance, including the names of other persons involved in the event, if any;
  - (k) A proposed solution of his grievance;
  - (l) His signature; and
  - (m) The date he signed the statement.
3. If a grievance relates to a decision of a reviewing officer about a performance evaluation, an employee must file a grievance that identifies the specific points of disagreement, if such specificity is provided, not later than 10 working days after the date the employee receives the decision of the reviewing officer. If the grievance relates to the failure of a reviewing officer to respond to a request for a review within the time required by NAC 284.470, an employee must file a grievance not later than 10 working days after the date on which the time for such a response expired. A grievance filed pursuant to this subsection must be filed with:
- (a) The appointing authority; or
  - (b) If the appointing authority is the immediate supervisor of the employee or the reviewing officer, the person who is at the next level of the grievance process.

[Personnel Div., Rule XV § A part subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 10-18-89; 3-23-94; R197-99, 1-26-2000)

**NAC 284.680 Date of receipt of grievance. (NRS 284.155)** For the purposes of NAC 284.682, 284.686 and 284.690, a grievance is deemed to have been received at each step in the grievance procedure:

- 1. On the date on which the employee or his chosen representative personally delivers the grievance or transmits it by facsimile machine; or
- 2. If the employee mails the grievance, 3 days after:
  - (a) The date on which the grievance was postmarked; or
  - (b) The date on the return receipt if sent by certified mail.

(Added to NAC by Personnel Comm'n by R065-98, eff. 7-24-98)

**NAC 284.682 Appeal of grievance to higher level. (NRS 284.155)**

1. If the correction of the matter under appeal is beyond the control of a level of supervision contemplated in this procedure or if the department of personnel determines that the submission of the grievance to the supervisor would be a useless act, the aggrieved employee may appeal directly to the next appropriate level.
2. An employee has 10 working days to refer his grievance to the next level after:
  - (a) He receives notification of the action; or
  - (b) The passage of 10 working days after his grievance is deemed to have been received, whichever occurs first, at each step in the procedure.
3. The time limit for the grievance procedure may be extended by agreement of the parties.

[Personnel Div., Rule XV § A part subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; A by Personnel Comm'n by R065-98, 7-24-98)

**NAC 284.686 Presentation of grievance to head of division. (NRS 284.155)**

1. If, within 10 working days after the employee's grievance is deemed to have been received by his immediate supervisor, the employee has not received satisfactory relief, he may forward the grievance to the head of the major division of the department in which he works. In those cases where a department is not subdivided into divisions, he may forward his request directly to the highest administrator in the department.
2. Additional managers or supervisors may become involved or a review committee may make a recommendation to the administrator of the agency.

[Personnel Div., Rule XV § A subsecs. 2 & 3, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; A by Personnel Comm'n by R065-98, 7-24-98)

**NRS 284.068 states, "Employee-management committee: Creation; appointment and terms of members.**

1. The employee-management committee, consisting of six members appointed by the governor, is hereby created.
2. The governor shall appoint to the committee:
  - (a) Three persons to represent management within the executive department of state government, and three persons to serve as alternates for them.
  - (b) Three persons to represent employees within the executive department of state government, and three persons to serve as alternates for them.
3. The representatives of employees and their alternates must be selected from a list, supplied by state employees or one or more state employees' groups, or any combination of these, containing twice as many names as there are vacancies to be filled.
4. The members of the committee and the alternates shall serve for 2 years."

**NRS 284.071 states, “Employee-management committee: Chairman; rules; meetings; secretarial services.**

1. The chairman of the employee-management committee must be chosen by a majority vote of the members.
2. The committee shall adopt such rules as it deems necessary for its own management.
3. The committee shall meet at least once every 3 months and at such other times as the chairman may designate.
4. The department shall provide secretarial services for the committee.”

**NRS 284.073 states, “Employee-management committee: Duties.** The employee-management committee shall:

1. Serve in an advisory capacity to the governor, the commission and the department with respect to all matters of personnel administration and relations between management and employees.
2. Receive, consider and make recommendations on matters relating to personnel administration, policy and procedures.
3. Provide a forum for the hearing of employees’ suggestions, complaints or disciplinary problems.
4. Provide a means of communication for disseminating information to employees regarding the personnel program.
5. Hold hearings, when requested, and make final decisions for the adjustment of grievances as provided by the regulations of the commission.”

**NAC 284.690 Filing of grievance with administrator. (NRS 284.155)**

1. If the employee has not received satisfactory relief within 10 working days after his grievance is deemed to have been received by the head of the division, he may file his grievance with the highest administrator of the department. The administrator may hold a hearing within 10 working days after receiving the employee’s grievance.
2. The highest administrator may render a decision following the hearing or allow the grievance to be forwarded directly to the committee within 10 working days.
3. In rendering a decision concerning a performance evaluation, an administrator shall address the findings of fact to the specific points of disagreement referred to in the grievance of the employee.
4. Within the established time limitations, the highest administrator may appoint a person or committee composed of managers and employees to assist in the finding of facts and recommending a course of action.

[Personnel Div., Rule XV § A subsec. 4, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; 10-18-89; A by Personnel Comm’n by R065-98, 7-24-98)

**NAC 284.695 Submission of grievance to employee-management committee.** If an employee has not received satisfactory relief within 10 working days after his receipt of the decision from the highest administrator in the department, he may request consideration of the grievance by the committee pursuant to its rules. The employee must submit his request to the committee within 10 working days following his receipt of the decision from the administrator. The request must include all appropriate

documentation, a citation of the statutes and regulations pertinent to the grievance, if any, the specific points of disagreement and supporting evidence. The committee will, within 45 working days after the receipt of the employee's request:

1. Answer the request without a hearing if the case is based upon the committee's previous decisions or does not fall within its jurisdiction; or
2. Hold a hearing to determine the proper disposition of the request. If a hearing is held, the committee will:
  - (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), provide at least 21 working days' written notice to all parties concerned.
  - (b) Provide notice to the employee by:
    - (1) Sending a written notification by certified mail, return receipt requested, at least 21 working days before the hearing; or
    - (2) Personally delivering a written notification to the employee at least 5 working days before the hearing, if the chairman approves of such notice.
  - (c) Render a decision within 45 days after the closure of the hearing.

[Personnel Div., Rule XV § A part subsec. 6, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74; 7-3-76; 2-5-82]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-21-89; 10-18-89; A by Personnel Comm'n, 8-1-91; A by Dep't of Personnel, 3-27-92; 11-12-93; 3-23-94; 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.6955 Hearing before employee-management committee: Procedure.** If a hearing is held to determine the proper disposition of a grievance pursuant to NAC 284.695, the following procedure must be followed:

1. Each party shall submit to the chairman of the committee or his designated representative 10 copies of the set of documents and materials to be presented at the hearing or any rescheduled hearing. These copies must be submitted not less than 12 working days before the scheduled date of the hearing. The chairman or his designated representative shall forward one copy of the set of the documents and materials of each party to the other party.
2. If the employee fails to comply with subsection 1, the chairman or his designated representative may reschedule the hearing to the next time designated for such hearings, but in no case earlier than 20 working days after the originally scheduled date of the hearing. If the employer fails to comply with subsection 1, the chairman or his designated representative may reschedule the hearing at his discretion. If the employee fails to comply with the provisions of subsection 1 for a rescheduled hearing, his grievance must be dismissed with prejudice unless he can show in writing to the committee's satisfaction that the reason for noncompliance was beyond his control.
3. Each document or material offered in evidence must be marked as follows:
  - (a) Documents or materials presented by the employee must be marked at the bottom of the page as "Exhibit\_\_\_\_" indicated by consecutive arabic numerals, beginning with the number "1."
  - (b) Documents or materials presented by the employer must be marked at the bottom of the page as "Exhibit\_\_\_\_" indicated by consecutive letters of the English alphabet, beginning with the letter "A." If the employer offers more than 26 exhibits, the 27th exhibit must be marked as "Exhibit AA," the 28th exhibit as "Exhibit BB," and so forth.
4. All evidence offered at the hearing must be relevant and bear upon the grievance.



5. Each person who testifies at the hearing shall state his name, address, and occupation for the record before testifying.
6. It is the responsibility of each party to arrange for the appearance of all necessary witnesses. The committee may request additional witnesses or information as it deems necessary.
7. The grievance must be heard in the following order:
  - (a) Opening statement for the employee.
  - (b) Opening statement for the employer.
  - (c) Presentation of employee's case, followed by cross-examination.
  - (d) Presentation of employer's case, followed by cross-examination.
  - (e) Closing statement for the employee.
  - (f) Closing statement for the employer.
8. Upon proper recognition by the chairman or his designated representative, any member of the committee may ask a question of a party or witness at any time during the hearing.

(Added to NAC by Personnel Comm'n, eff. 8-1-91; A by Dep't of Personnel, 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.6957 Hearing before employee-management committee: Continuance.**

1. A party may request a continuance of a hearing to determine the proper disposition of a grievance pursuant to NAC 284.695 by submitting a request for a continuance to the chairman of the committee or his designated representative at least 12 working days before the scheduled hearing, unless the party received personal notice of the hearing less than 21 working days before the hearing pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 284.695, in which case he may request a continuance as long as the request is made at least 4 working days before the scheduled hearing.
2. The committee may grant a request for a continuance if good cause is shown.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-27-92; A 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.696 Unlawful discrimination.**

1. An employee alleging unlawful discrimination based on any pertinent state or federal law or regulation may:
  - (a) Report the alleged discrimination to the attorney general, the employee's appointing authority, an equal employment opportunity officer, or a personnel representative for corrective action;
  - (b) Use the procedure for the adjustment of a grievance contained in NAC 284.658 to 284.6957, inclusive; or
  - (c) File a complaint with the Nevada equal rights commission pursuant to NRS 613.405.
2. The appointing authority of an employee who has alleged unlawful discrimination shall promptly notify the deputy attorney general or staff counsel assigned to represent the agency of the allegation and the actions which are being undertaken by the agency to address the allegation.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 9-16-92; 11-16-95)

**NAC 284.697 When resolution of grievance becomes binding. (NRS 284.384)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the resolution of a grievance is binding when:
  - (a) There is an agreement between the person filing the grievance and the appointing authority or the designated representative of the employing agency; or
  - (b) The committee renders a final decision.
2. The appointing authority or the designated representative of the employing agency shall submit each proposed resolution of a grievance which has a fiscal effect to the budget division of the department of administration for a determination of whether the resolution is feasible on the basis of its fiscal effects. The resolution is binding only if it is so found.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 8-28-85; A by Personnel Comm'n by R030-02, 5-2-2002)

## **PERSONNEL RECORDS**

### **NAC 284.702 Reports of personnel actions. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)**

1. Each appointing authority shall report promptly to the department of personnel such information as required in connection with each appointment, separation from service, other change in position or pay or other matters affecting the status of positions or the performance of duties of employees in the state service.
2. All reports must be prepared in the manner and on the forms prescribed by the department.
3. The department will establish procedures for sending copies of reports and notices to the state controller without delay of any new positions, new employees and of its approval or disapproval of these actions.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVI § A subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 7-1-94; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.710 Order of processing personnel documents. (NRS 284.175)** Any personnel documents effecting changes in an employee's pay and having the identical effective date will be processed in the following order:

1. Merit pay increases.
2. Reclassifications or overall adjustments to the compensation plan.
3. Promotions or demotions.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVI § A subsec. 3, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

### **NRS 284.105 (official roster) states in part, "Duties of director.**

2. (f) Establish and maintain a roster of all employees in the public service. The roster must set forth, as to each employee:
  - (1) The class title of the position held.
  - (2) The salary or pay.
  - (3) Any change in class title, pay or status.
  - (4) Other pertinent data."

### **NAC 284.714 Official roster: Inspection; contents. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.335)**

1. The official roster of employees in the public service maintained by the department of personnel is a public record and will be open to inspection under reasonable conditions during business hours in the department's offices or the offices where the records are kept.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the roster must contain, for each employee:
  - (a) His name;
  - (b) The class title of the position he holds;
  - (c) His rate of pay;

- (d) Any change in his class title, pay or status; and
  - (e) Other pertinent data as determined by the director.
3. For public inspection purposes, the roster may exclude the actual names of employees who are in sensitive law enforcement positions where public access to the employees' identities could jeopardize their personal safety or job performance, in which case the employee will be shown on the roster as an unidentified employee.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVI § B , eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NRS 613.075 states, "Inspection by person who is subject of records; provision of copies upon request; cost of copies; person permitted to submit written explanation in response to information in records and to challenge accuracy; limitations.**

1. Any person or governmental entity who employs and has under his direction and control any person for wages or under a contract of hire, or any labor organization referring a person to an employer for employment, shall, upon the request of that employee or person referred:
  - (a) Give him a reasonable opportunity, during the usual hours of business, to inspect any records kept by that employer or labor organization containing information used:
    - (1) By the employer or labor organization to determine the qualifications of that employee and any disciplinary action taken against him, including termination from that employment; or
    - (2) By the labor organization with respect to that person's position on its list concerning past, present and future referrals for employment; and
  - (b) Furnish him with a copy of those records.

The records to be made available do not include confidential reports from previous employers or investigative agencies, other confidential investigative files concerning the employee or person referred or information concerning the investigation, arrest or conviction of that person for a violation of any law.
2. An employer or labor organization shall allow an employee or person referred to submit a reasonable written explanation in direct response to any written entry in the records of employment regarding the employee or person. Any such written explanation must be reasonable in length, in a format prescribed by the employer and maintained by the employer or labor organization in the records of employment.
3. An employer or labor organization shall not maintain a secret record of employment regarding an employee or person referred.

4. Upon termination of employment, an employer shall allow an employee to inspect his records of employment within 60 days after his termination of employment and shall, if requested by that former employee within that period, furnish him with a copy of those records.
5. An employer or labor organization may only charge an employee or person referred an amount equal to the actual cost of providing access to and copies of his records of employment.
6. The employee or person referred shall, if he contends that any information contained in the records is inaccurate or incomplete, notify his employer or the labor organization in writing of his contention. If the employer or labor organization finds that the contention of that employee or person is correct, it shall change the information accordingly.
7. No copies may be furnished to an employee or former employee under this section unless he has been or was employed for more than 60 days.”

**NAC 284.718 Confidential records. (NRS 284.155, 284.407)**

1. The following types of information, which are maintained by the department of personnel or the personnel office of an agency, are confidential:
  - (a) Information relating to salaries paid in other than governmental employment which is furnished to the department of personnel on the condition that the source remain confidential;
  - (b) Any document which is used by the department of personnel or an agency in negotiations with employees or their representatives which has not been made public by mutual agreement;
  - (c) The rating and remarks concerning an applicant by the individual members of the board or assessors of a center for assessment;
  - (d) Materials used in examinations, including suggested answers for oral examinations;
  - (e) Records and files maintained by the employee assistance program;
  - (f) Reports by employers, appointing authorities or law enforcement officials concerning the hiring, promotion or background of applicants, eligible persons or employees;
  - (g) The class title and agency of an employee whose name is excluded from the official roster, as provided in subsection 3 of NAC 284.714, when an inquiry concerning the employee is received;
  - (h) Any information contained on a person’s application or relating to his status as an eligible person; and
  - (i) Information in an employee’s file or record of employment which relates to his:
    - (1) Performance;
    - (2) Conduct, including any disciplinary actions taken against him;
    - (3) Race, ethnic identity or affiliation, sex, disability, or date of birth; or
    - (4) Home telephone number.
2. If the employee has requested that his personal mailing address be listed as confidential, his file must be so designated and list his business address.

3. The name of any beneficiary of an employee contained in the payroll document must not be released to anyone unless:
  - (a) The employee dies; or
  - (b) The employee signs a release.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVI part § C, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-28-85; 7-21-89; 7-6-92; 11-12-93; R058-01, 9-6-2001)

**NAC 284.726 Access to confidential records. (NRS 284.155, 284.175, 284.335, 284.407)**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, access to materials for an examination and information relating to an applicant or eligible person which are relevant to an appointing authority's decision to hire that person is limited to the appointing authority or his designated representative. If the name of the applicant is not disclosed and the information is used for the purposes of subparagraph 2 of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NAC 284.204, information relating to the education and experience of an applicant may be made available to any affected applicant, employee or the designated representative of either.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, access to an employee's file of employment containing any of the items listed in paragraphs (f) to (i), inclusive, of subsection 1 of NAC 284.718 is limited to:
  - (a) The employee.
  - (b) The employee's representative when a signed authorization from the employee is presented or is in his employment file.
  - (c) The appointing authority or a designated representative of the agency by which the employee is employed.
  - (d) The director of the department of personnel or his designated representative.
  - (e) An appointing authority, or his designated representative, who is considering the employee for employment in his agency.
  - (f) Persons who are authorized pursuant to any state or federal law or an order of a court.
  - (g) The state board of examiners if the board is considering a claim against the State of Nevada filed pursuant to chapter 41 of NRS which involves the employee.
3. Information concerning the health, medical condition or disability of an employee or a member of his immediate family must be kept separate from the employee's file in a locked cabinet. Access to such information is limited to the employee, his current supervisor, and the appointing authority or his designated representative.
4. Except as otherwise provided by specific statute, records maintained by the employee assistance program must not be released without written permission signed by the employee to whom the records pertain.
5. Upon request, the department of personnel will provide the personal mailing address of any employee on file with the department to the state controller's office and the Internal Revenue Service.
6. The director or the appointing authority, or his designated representative, shall authorize the release of any confidential records under his control which are requested by the committee, a

hearings officer, the commission, the Nevada equal rights commission or a court. If the director or his designated representative determines that the release of any confidential record is not necessary for those purposes, the decision may be appealed.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVI part § C, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 8-28-85; 9-30-88; 7-21-89; 8-14-90; 7-6-92; 3-23-94; R042-99, 9-27-99; R082-00, 8-2-2000; R058-01, 9-6-2001; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**NAC 284.730 Retention of records.** All records of the department of personnel will be retained or disposed of in accordance with the records retention and disposal schedule approved by the state board of examiners.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVI § D, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.734 Prohibition against maintenance of secret files.** Except as otherwise provided in NAC 284.718 and 284.726, no appointing authority may maintain secret files regarding any employee.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVI § E, eff. 8-11-73]

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## PROHIBITIONS AND OFFENSES

### **NRS 202.2491 states in part, “Smoking tobacco: Unlawful in certain public places; posting signs; designation of areas for smoking**

3. The person in control of a public building:
  - (a) Shall post in the area signs prohibiting smoking in any place not designated for that purpose as provided in paragraph (b).
  - (b) Shall, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, designate a separate area which may be used for smoking.

A school district which prohibits the use of tobacco by pupils need not designate an area which may be used by the pupils to smoke.”

### **NRS 331.220 states, “Surreptitious electronic surveillance prohibited; exceptions.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, it is unlawful for a person to engage in any kind of surreptitious electronic surveillance on the grounds of any facility owned or leased by the State of Nevada without the knowledge of the person being observed.
2. Subsection 1 does not apply to any electronic surveillance:
  - (a) Authorized by a court order issued to a public officer, based upon a showing of probable cause to believe that criminal activity is occurring on the property under surveillance;
  - (b) By a law enforcement agency pursuant to a criminal investigation; or
  - (c) Which is necessary as part of a system of security used to protect and ensure the safety of persons on the grounds of the facility.”

### **NRS 281.501 states in part, “Additional standards: Voting by public officers; effect of abstention from voting on quorum; disclosures required of public officers and employees.**

3. A public officer or employee shall not approve, disapprove, vote, abstain from voting or otherwise act upon any matter:
  - (a) Regarding which he has accepted a gift or loan;
  - (b) Which would reasonably be affected by his commitment in a private capacity to the interest of others; or
  - (c) In which he has a pecuniary interest, without disclosing sufficient information concerning the gift, loan, commitment or interest to inform the public of the potential effect of the action or abstention upon the person who provided the gift or loan, upon the person to whom he has a commitment, or upon his interest. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, such a disclosure must be made at the time the matter is considered. If the officer or employee is a member of a body which makes decisions, he shall make the disclosure in public to the chairman and other members of the body. If the officer or employee is not a member of such a body and holds an appointive office, he shall make the disclosure to the supervisory head of his organization or, if he holds an elective office, to the general public in the area from which he is elected. This subsection does not require a public officer to disclose any campaign contributions that the public officer reported pursuant to NRS 294A.120 or 294A.125 in a timely manner.”

**NRS 281.505 states in part, “Contracts in which public officer or employee has interest prohibited; exceptions.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a public officer or employee shall not bid on or enter into a contract between a governmental agency and any private business in which he has a significant pecuniary interest...
4. A public officer or employee, other than an officer or employee described in subsection 2 or 3, may bid on or enter into a contract with a governmental agency if the contracting process is controlled by rules of open competitive bidding, the sources of supply are limited, he has not taken part in developing the contract plans or specifications and he will not be personally involved in opening, considering or accepting offers.”

**NRS 281.553 states, “Public officer or employee prohibited from accepting or receiving honorarium; “honorarium” defined; penalty.**

1. A public officer or public employee shall not accept or receive an honorarium.
2. An honorarium paid on behalf of a public officer or public employee to a charitable organization from which the officer or employee does not derive any financial benefit is deemed not to be accepted or received by the officer or employee for the purposes of this section.
3. This section does not prohibit:
  - (a) The receipt of payment for work performed outside the normal course of a person’s public office or employment if the performance of that work is consistent with the applicable policies of his public employer regarding supplemental employment.
  - (b) The receipt of an honorarium by the spouse of a public officer or public employee if it is related to the spouse’s profession or occupation.
4. As used in this section, “honorarium” means the payment of money or anything of value for an appearance or speech by the public officer or public employee in his capacity as a public officer or public employee. The term does not include the payment of:
  - (a) The actual and necessary costs incurred by the public officer or public employee, his spouse or his aid for transportation and for lodging and meals while the public officer or public employee is away from his residence.
  - (b) Compensation which would otherwise have been earned by the public officer or public employee in the normal course of his public office or employment.
  - (c) A fee for a speech related to the officer’s or employee’s profession or occupation outside of his public office or employment if:
    - (1) Other members of the profession or occupation are ordinarily compensated for such a speech; and
    - (2) The fee paid to the public officer or public employee is approximately the same as the fee that would be paid to a member of the private sector whose qualifications are similar to those of the officer or employee for a comparable speech.
  - (d) A fee for a speech delivered to an organization of legislatures, legislators or other elected officers.
5. A public officer or public employee who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a gross

misdemeanor and, upon conviction, forfeits the amount of the honorarium.”

**NRS 281.621 states, “Declaration of public policy.** It is hereby declared to be the public policy of this state that a state officer or employee and a local governmental officer or employee are encouraged to disclose, to the extent not expressly prohibited by law, improper governmental action, and it is the intent of the legislature to protect the rights of a state officer or employee and a local governmental officer or employee who makes such a disclosure.”

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE:** Also see **NRS 281.611 through 281.671 (Disclosure of improper governmental action).**

**NRS 199.280 states, “Resisting public officer.** A person who, in any case or under any circumstances not otherwise specially provided for, willfully resists, delays or obstructs a public officer in discharging or attempting to discharge any legal duty of his office shall be punished:

1. Where a dangerous weapon is used in the course of such resistance, obstruction or delay, for a category D felony as provided in NRS 193.130.
2. Where no dangerous weapon is used in the course of such resistance, obstruction or delay, for a misdemeanor.”

**NRS 199.300 states, “Intimidating public officer, public employee, juror, referee, arbitrator, appraiser, assessor or similar person.**

1. A person who directly or indirectly, addresses any threat or intimidation to a public officer, public employee, juror, referee, arbitrator, appraiser, assessor or any person authorized by law to hear or determine any controversy or matter, with the intent to induce him, contrary to his duty to do, make, omit or delay any act, decision or determination, shall be punished:
  - (a) If physical force or the immediate threat of physical force is used in the course of the intimidation or in the making of the threat:
    - (1) For a first offense, for a category C felony as provided in NRS 193.130.
    - (2) For a second or subsequent offense, for a category B felony by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 10 years, and may be further punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000.
  - (b) If no physical force or immediate threat of physical force is used in the course of the intimidation or in the making of the threat, for a gross misdemeanor.
2. As used in this section, “public employee” means any person who performs public duties for compensation paid by the state, a county, city, local government or other political subdivision of the state or an agency thereof, including, without limitation, a person who performs a service for compensation pursuant to a contract with the state, county, city, local government or other political subdivision of the state or an agency thereof.”

**NRS 284.410 states, “False statement or report; fraud.** No person shall make any false statement, certificate, mark, rating or report with regard to any examination, certification or appointment made under any provision of this chapter, or in any manner commit or attempt to commit any fraud preventing the impartial execution of this chapter and the rules and regulations.”

**NRS 284.415 states, “Receipt or payment of consideration for appointment or promotion.** No person shall, directly or indirectly, give, render, pay, offer, solicit or accept any money, service or other valuable consideration for or on account of any appointment, proposed appointment, promotion or proposed promotion to, or any advantage in, a position in the classified service.”

**NRS 284.420 states, “Obstruction of right to examination, eligibility, certification or appointment; furnishing special or secret information.** An employee of the department, examiner, or other person shall not defeat, deceive or obstruct any person in his right to examination, eligibility, certification or appointment under this chapter, or furnish to any person any special or secret information for the purpose of affecting the rights or prospects of any person with respect to employment in the classified service.”

**NRS 284.425 states, “Member of subversive organization ineligible for appointment or employment in public service.**

1. Any person who has been or remains a member of any subversive organization, as defined by the Attorney General of the United States, composed of two or more members, which directly or indirectly advocates, advises, teaches or practices the duty, necessity or propriety of controlling, conducting, seizing or overthrowing the Government of the United States, the government of this state, or the government of any political subdivision thereof, by force or violence, shall be ineligible for appointment to or employment in a position in the public service; and if he is an officer or employee of the state, he shall forfeit his office or position.
2. This chapter shall not be construed to prohibit the existence of an organization of state employees, or to prohibit any state officer or employee from becoming a member of such an organization.”

**NRS 284.430 states, “Penalties.**

1. Any person who willfully violates any provision of this chapter or any provision of the rules and regulations prescribed hereunder shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
2. Any person who is convicted of a misdemeanor under this chapter shall, for a period of 5 years, be ineligible for appointment to or employment in a position in the public service, and if he is an officer or employee of the state, he shall forfeit his office or position.”

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE:** Other prohibitions are specified in Chapter 281 of NRS.

**NRS 284.143 states, “Unclassified service: Certain persons may pursue other businesses or occupations or other office for profit.** Except as otherwise provided in NRS 281.127, a person in the unclassified service of the state who has been appointed or employed for service in a department, division, agency or institution, other than a director of a department, may pursue any other business or occupation or hold any other office for profit if:

1. The other employment does not conflict with the duties he is required to perform in his unclassified service;
2. The other employment does not conflict with the hours during which he is required to perform those duties; and
3. He has obtained the approval of his supervisor.”

**NAC 284.738 Conflicting activities.** Employees shall not engage in any employment, activity, or enterprise which has been determined to be inconsistent, incompatible, or in conflict with their duties as employees, or with the duties, functions, or responsibilities of their appointing authorities or agencies by which they are employed.

[Personnel Div., Rule XI § A subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.742 Appointing authorities authorized to define conflicting activities.**

1. Each appointing authority may determine and describe in writing, subject to the approval of the commission, those specific activities which, for employees under his jurisdiction, are considered inconsistent, incompatible, or in conflict with their duties as employees.
2. The appointing authority shall provide a copy to each employee.
3. In making this determination, the appointing authority shall consider the prohibitions described in NAC 284.650 and NAC 284.746 to 284.762, inclusive.

[Personnel Div., Rule XI § A part subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.746 Acceptance of favors.** No employee may seek or accept any gift, service, favor, employment, engagement, emolument, or economic opportunity that would tend improperly to influence a reasonable person in his position to depart from the faithful and impartial discharge of his public duties.

[Personnel Div., Rule XI § A part subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.750 Use of position to secure or grant privileges.** No employee may use his position in government to secure or grant unwarranted privileges, preferences, exemptions, or advantages for himself, any member of his household, any business entity with which he or a member of his household is associated, or any other person.

[Personnel Div., Rule XI § A part subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.754 Contracts with state.** An employee shall not enter into a private contract with the state in any capacity that may be construed as an extension of his assigned duties or responsibilities to the state.

[Personnel Div., Rule XI § A part subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73; A 4-4-78]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.758 Use of privileged information.** If an employee acquires, through his public duties or relationships, any information which by law or practice is not at the time available to people generally, he may not use the information to further the economic interests of himself or any other person or business entity.

[Personnel Div., Rule XI § A part subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.762 Suppression of information.** No employee may suppress any governmental report or other document because it might affect unfavorably his private financial interest.

[Personnel Div., Rule XI § A part subsec. 2, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.766 Full-time service required.** Each employee shall, during his hours of duty as an employee and subject to such other laws or regulations as pertain thereto, devote his full time, attention, and efforts to state employment.

[Personnel Div., Rule XI § B, eff. 8-11-73]

**NAC 284.770 Political activities. (NRS 284.155, 284.175)** Employees may vote as they choose and express their political opinions on all subjects without recourse, except that no employee may:

1. Directly or indirectly solicit or receive, or be in any manner concerned in soliciting or receiving, any assessment, subscription, monetary or nonmonetary contribution for a political purpose from anyone who is in the same department and who is a subordinate of the solicitor.
2. Engage in political activity during the hours of his state employment to improve the chances of a political party or a person seeking office, or at any time engage in political activity to secure a preference for a promotion, transfer or increase in pay.

[Personnel Div., Rule XI § C, eff. 8-11-73; A 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep’t of Personnel, 10-26-84; R147-01, 1-22-2002)

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE:** The federal Hatch Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 1501-1508, prohibits certain types of political activity on the part of State employees whose principle employment is in a federally-funded program.

**NRS 284.150 states in part, “Classified service: Composition;...**

3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 193.105, 209.161 and 416.070, a person must not be appointed, transferred, promoted, demoted or discharged as an officer, clerk, employee or laborer in the classified service in any manner or by any means other than those prescribed in this chapter and the regulations adopted in accordance therewith.
4. A person must not be discriminated against on account of his religious opinions or affiliations, race, sex, age or disability.

**NRS 281.370 states in part, “Actions concerning personnel to be based on merit and fitness;**

**discrimination prohibited.**

1. All personnel actions taken by state, county or municipal departments, housing authorities, agencies, boards or appointing officers thereof must be based solely on merit and fitness.
2. State, county or municipal departments, housing authorities, agencies, boards or appointing officers thereof shall not refuse to hire a person, discharge or bar any person from employment or discriminate against any person in compensation or in other terms or conditions of employment because of his race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, political affiliation or disability, except when based upon a bona fide occupational qualification.”

**NRS 613.330 states, “Unlawful employment practices: Discrimination or segregation on basis of race, sex, sexual orientation, age or disability; refusal to permit guide, hearing or helping dog or other service animal at place of employment.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 613.350, it is an unlawful employment practice for an employer:
  - (a) To fail or refuse to hire or to discharge any person, or otherwise to discriminate against any person with respect to his compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment, because of his race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or national origin; or
  - (b) To limit, segregate or classify an employee in a way which would deprive or tend to deprive him of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect his status as an employee, because of his race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or national origin.
2. It is an unlawful employment practice for an employment agency to:
  - (a) Fail or refuse to refer for employment, or otherwise to discriminate against, any person because of the race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or national origin of that person; or
  - (b) Classify or refer for employment any person on the basis of the race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or national origin of that person.
3. It is an unlawful employment practice for a labor organization:
  - (a) To exclude or to expel from its membership, or otherwise to discriminate against, any person because of his race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or national origin;
  - (b) To limit, segregate or classify its membership, or to classify or fail or refuse to refer for employment any person, in any way which would deprive or tend to deprive him of employment opportunities, or would limit his employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect his status as an employee or as an applicant for employment, because of his race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or national origin; or
  - (c) To cause or attempt to cause an employer to discriminate against any person in violation of this section.
4. It is an unlawful employment practice for any employer, labor organization or joint labor-management committee controlling apprenticeship or other training or retraining, including, without limitation, on-the-job training programs, to discriminate against any person because of his race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability or national origin in admission to, or employment in, any program established to provide apprenticeship or other training.

5. It is an unlawful employment practice for any employer, employment agency, labor organization or joint labor-management committee to discriminate against a person with physical, aural or visual disabilities by interfering, directly or indirectly, with the use of an aid or appliance, including, without limitation, a guide dog, hearing dog, helping dog or other service animal, by such a person.
6. It is an unlawful employment practice for an employer, directly or indirectly, to refuse to permit an employee with a visual or aural disability to keep his guide dog, hearing dog or other service animal with him at all times in his place of employment.
7. For the purposes of this section, the terms “guide dog,” “hearing dog,” “helping dog” and “service animal” have the meanings ascribed to them respectively in NRS 426.075, 426.081, 426.083 and 426.097.”

**NAC 284.771 Sexual harassment.**

1. Sexual harassment violates the policy of this state and is a form of unlawful discrimination based on sex under state and federal law. An employee shall not engage in sexual harassment against another employee, an applicant for employment, or any other person in the workplace.
2. Sexual harassment is a very serious disciplinary infraction. An appointing authority may impose harsh disciplinary sanctions on persons who commit sexual harassment, even on first-time offenders. The appointing authority, in determining the appropriate level of discipline and the hearing officer, in reviewing the propriety of the level of discipline selected by the appointing authority, must consider the principles of progressive discipline as set forth in NRS 284.383.
3. As used in this section, “sexual harassment” means unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other speech, or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:
  - (a) Submission to such speech or conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of a person’s employment;
  - (b) Submission to or the rejection of such speech or conduct by a person is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting that person; or
  - (c) Such speech or conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with a person’s work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 9-16-92; 11-16-95)



**NRS 233.160 states in part, “Complaint alleging unlawful discriminatory practices: Limitations on filing; contents; duties of commission.**

1. A complaint which alleges unlawful discriminatory practices in:
  - (a) Housing must be filed with the commission not later than 1 year after the date of the occurrence of the alleged practice or the date on which the practice terminated.
  - (b) Employment or public accommodations must be filed with the commission not later than 180 days after the date of the occurrence of the alleged practice.

A complaint is timely if it is filed with an appropriate federal agency within that period. A complainant shall not file a complaint with the commission if any other state or federal administrative body or officer which has comparable jurisdiction to adjudicate complaints of discriminatory practices has made a decision upon a complaint based upon the same facts and legal theory.

2. The complainant shall specify in the complaint the alleged unlawful practice and sign it under oath.”

**NRS 288.230 states, “Legislative declaration; illegality of strikes.**

1. The legislature finds as facts:
  - (a) That the services provided by the state and local government employers are of such nature that they are not and cannot be duplicated from other sources and are essential to the health, safety and welfare of the people of the State of Nevada;
  - (b) That the continuity of such services is likewise essential, and their disruption incompatible with the responsibility of the state to its people; and
  - (c) That every person who enters or remains in the employment of the state or a local government employer accepts the facts stated in paragraphs (a) and (b) as an essential condition of his employment.
2. The legislature therefore declares it to be the public policy of the State of Nevada that strikes against the state or any local government employer are illegal.”

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## **PRACTICE BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL**

### **NRS 284.391 states, "Hearings: Issuance of subpoenas; discovery; oaths; examination of witnesses.**

1. The hearing officer may, upon application of any party to a hearing held pursuant to NRS 284.390 or 284.376, issue subpoenas requiring the attendance and testimony of witnesses at the proceeding.
2. The hearing officer may, upon motion of a party, direct that an opposing party participate in a discovery conference at which both parties and their counsel may put questions to the other party and receive answers, or request and receive copies of relevant documents or examine relevant documents and records and any other physical evidence which the opposing party intends to use at the hearing.
3. The hearing officer, or any agent or agency designated by the commission for such purposes, may administer oaths and affirmations and examine witnesses."

**NRS 284.392 states, "Hearings: Subpoenas extend to all parts of state; service of subpoenas; attendance of witnesses.** A subpoena issued pursuant to NRS 284.391 extends to all parts of the state and must be served in accordance with the provisions of N.R.C.P. 4(c). No witness may be required to attend at a place out of the county in which he resides unless the distance is less than 100 miles from his place of residence, except, upon affidavit of any party showing that the testimony of that witness is material and necessary, the hearing officer may endorse on the subpoena an order requiring the attendance of the witness in response to the subpoena."

### **NRS 284.393 states, "Hearings: Fees, mileage and expenses of witnesses.**

1. All witnesses appearing pursuant to subpoena, other than parties or officers or employees of the state or any political subdivision thereof, are entitled to receive fees and mileage in the same amounts and under the same circumstances as prescribed by law for witnesses in civil actions in the district courts.
2. Witnesses entitled to fees or mileage who attend hearings at points so far removed from their residences as to prohibit return thereto from day to day are entitled, in addition to fees and mileage, to the per diem compensation for subsistence and transportation authorized by NRS 281.160 for each day of actual attendance and for each day necessarily occupied in traveling to and from the hearings.
3. Fees for subsistence and transportation expenses must be paid by the party at whose request the witness is subpoenaed. The hearing officer may award as costs the amount of all such expenses to the prevailing party."

**NRS 281.641 states, "Reprisal or retaliatory action against state officer or employee who discloses improper governmental action: Written appeal; hearing; order; negative ruling may not be based on identity of persons to whom disclosure was made; rules of procedure.**

1. If any reprisal or retaliatory action is taken against a state officer or employee who discloses information concerning improper governmental action within 2 years after the information is disclosed, the state officer or employee may file a written appeal with a hearing officer of the department of personnel for a determination of whether the action taken was a reprisal or retaliatory action. The written appeal must be accompanied by a statement that sets forth with particularity:
  - (a) The facts and circumstances under which the disclosure of improper governmental action

was made; and

- (b) The reprisal or retaliatory action that is alleged to have been taken against the state officer or employee.

The hearing must be conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in NRS 284.390 to 284.405, inclusive, and the procedures adopted by the personnel commission pursuant to subsection 4.

2. If the hearing officer determines that the action taken was a reprisal or retaliatory action, he may issue an order directing the proper person to desist and refrain from engaging in such action. The hearing officer shall file a copy of his decision with the governor or any other elected state officer who is responsible for the actions of that person.
3. The hearing officer may not rule against the state officer or employee based on the person or persons to whom the improper governmental action was disclosed.
4. The personnel commission may adopt rules of procedure for conducting a hearing pursuant to this section that are not inconsistent with the procedures set forth in NRS 284.390 to 284.405, inclusive.”

### **Hearings Before the Hearing Officer**

#### **NAC 281.305 Written appeal by officer or employee who claims retaliatory action was taken against him.**

1. A state officer or employee who claims a reprisal or retaliatory action was taken against him for disclosing information concerning improper governmental action may file a written appeal pursuant to NRS 281.641 with a hearing officer of the department of personnel. The appeal must be:
  - (a) Filed within 10 workdays after the date the alleged reprisal or retaliatory action took place.
  - (b) Submitted on a form provided by the department of personnel.
2. The hearing officer may reject a form that is incomplete or otherwise deficient as insufficient to commence the appeal.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 3-1-96)

#### **NAC 281.315 Procedures for conduct of hearing on written appeal.**

1. The provisions of this section and NAC 284.774 to 284.806, inclusive, and 284.818 govern the procedure for conducting a hearing for a written appeal filed pursuant to NRS 281.641.
2. A party may appear in person and may be represented by an attorney or another person of his choice, if the party chooses not to represent himself.
3. All testimony must be under oath administered by the hearing officer.
4. The appeal must be heard in the following manner:
  - (a) The opening statement for the state officer or employee.
  - (b) The opening statement for the employer, unless reserved.

- (c) Presentation of the state officer's or employee's case, followed by cross-examination. The state officer or employee must establish that:
  - (1) He was a state officer or employee on the date of the alleged reprisal or retaliatory action;
  - (2) He disclosed information concerning improper governmental action; and
  - (3) The alleged reprisal or retaliatory action was taken against him within 2 years after the date he disclosed the information concerning improper governmental action.
- (d) If the state officer or employee establishes the facts set forth in paragraph (c), presentation of the employer's case, followed by cross-examination, to establish that the employer did not engage in the alleged reprisal or retaliatory action or that the action was taken for a legitimate business purpose and was not the result of the disclosure of information concerning improper governmental action by the state officer or employee.
- (e) If the employer establishes a legitimate business purpose for the alleged reprisal or retaliatory action, the state officer or employee may introduce evidence, followed by cross-examination, to demonstrate that the stated business purpose is a pretext for the reprisal or retaliatory action.
- (f) The parties may respectively offer rebutting testimony only, unless the hearing officer permits additional evidence upon the original cause.
- (g) The argument for the state officer or employee.
- (h) The argument for the employer.
- (i) The closing argument for the state officer or employee.
- (j) Submission of the appeal for a decision.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 3-1-96)

**NAC 284.774 Scope.**

1. NAC 284.774 to 284.818, inclusive, governs hearings in all cases relating to dismissals, suspensions, demotions and involuntary transfers before the hearing officer.
2. The hearing officer may modify or alter the hearings procedures established in NAC 284.774 to 284.818, inclusive, if experience and circumstances indicate such action and interested parties have proper notice of any procedural changes or are not prejudiced thereby.
3. Each hearing officer may from time to time adopt supplementary rules governing practice before him not inconsistent with NAC 284.774 to 284.818, inclusive.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (C), eff. 11-28-65; A 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.778 Request for hearing and other communications.** A request for an appeal and other pertinent communications directed to the hearing officer must be addressed to the director.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (A) subsec. (1), eff. 11-28-65; A 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.782 Time and place; notice; provision of reasonable accommodation to party with disability.**

1. The hearing officer shall convene the hearing at the time and place specified for the purpose of hearing the appeal.
2. Written notice of the time and place of the hearing must be given to the parties at least 10 days in advance. The notice must contain the information required for a party to request reasonable accommodation.
3. The hearing officer shall provide reasonable accommodation to a party with a disability who requests such accommodation within the time sufficient to make the accommodation.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (B) subsec. (1), eff. 11-28-65; A 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 7-6-92)

**NAC 284.786 Continuances.** Hearings may be continued beyond the period originally scheduled or recessed until a future date which is agreeable to the hearing officer and the parties if good cause is shown.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (A) subsec. (9), eff. 11-28-65; A 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.788 Conduct of hearings on appeal.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, all hearings on appeals must be open to the public.
2. On the motion of either party, the hearing officer shall exclude from the hearing room witnesses in the matter not at the time under examination except the parties to the proceeding. No hearing may be closed to the public except on motion of either party for good cause shown.
3. A document or piece of physical evidence sought to be introduced during the hearing must first be identified for the record and the hearing officer may request the production of such records and the appearance of such persons as he requires.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.794 Evidence.**

1. The hearing officer shall determine the evidence upon the charges and specifications as set forth by the appointing authority in the appropriate documents, and shall not consider any additional evidence beyond the scope of the charges.
2. An employer's or employee's past performance by way of an act or a failure to act may be shown by competent evidence.
3. Reports, evaluations, and other written evidence may be considered only upon a showing that the parties were made aware of the contents of this material.

4. All testimony and exhibits offered at the hearing must be relevant and bear upon the matter in contention. Any testimony or exhibits which are considered by the hearing officer as not meeting this criterion may properly be excluded.
5. The hearing officer shall also consider the objection of either side to the introduction of evidence. Competence and relevance must be the primary test in ruling on objections.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (A) subsecs. (3) & (4), eff. 11-28-65; A 6-9-74; + Rule XVI part § C, eff. 9-6-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.798 Decision must be based on evidence presented.** The hearing officer shall make no assumptions of innocence or guilt but shall be guided in his decision by the weight of the evidence as it appears to him at the hearing.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (A) subsec. (5), eff. 11-28-65; A 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.802 Form of testimony. (NRS 284.155)**

1. At the beginning of his testimony, each witness who has not previously testified in the hearing must be required to state his name, address and business, employment or position.
2. Testimony may be presented in the form of a statement or questions and answers.
3. The hearing officer may have the testimony recorded and transcribed.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (A) subsecs. (6) & (8), eff. 11-28-65; A 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.806 Evidence must be authenticated.** Any letter, paper or object offered in evidence must be properly authenticated and, if received, must be marked by the reporter with a distinguishing number or letter, such as "Employee's Exhibit 1" or "Employer's Exhibit A." The representative for the opposing party is entitled to examine the exhibit when it is offered.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (A) subsec. (7), eff. 11-28-65]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.814 Appearance and procedure at hearing.**

1. A party may appear in person and may be represented by an attorney or another person of his choice, if the party chooses not to represent himself.
2. All testimony must be under oath administered by the hearing officer.
3. The matter must be heard in the following manner:
  - (a) Opening statement for the employer.
  - (b) Opening statement for the employee, unless reserved.
  - (c) Presentation of the employer's case, followed by cross-examination.
  - (d) Presentation of the employee's case, followed by cross-examination.
  - (e) The parties may respectively offer rebutting testimony only, unless the hearing officer permits additional evidence upon the original cause.
  - (f) Argument for the employer.
  - (g) Argument for the employee.

- (h) Closing argument for the employer.
- (i) Submission of the case for decision.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (B) subsec. (3), eff. 11-28-65; A 4-15-73; 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; A by Personnel Comm'n, 8-1-91; A by Dep't of Personnel, 3-23-94)

**NAC 284.818 Decision by hearing officer.** At the conclusion of the hearing, the hearing officer shall take the case under submission and shall notify the parties in writing within 30 days from the date of the hearing of the hearing officer's findings and recommendations.

[Personnel Div., Hearings Procedures § (B) subsec. (4), eff. 11-28-65; A 6-9-74]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

### **Adoption, Amendment or Repeal of Regulations**

**NAC 284.826 Notice.** Notice given pursuant to NRS 233B.060 will be provided by mailing to all heads of departments and persons who have requested in writing that they be placed on the department of personnel's mailing list maintained for this purpose.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVII § B subsec. 3, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

### **NAC 284.830 Presentation and contents of petitions.**

1. Petitions to initiate the adoption, amendment, or repeal of a regulation must be presented in writing in a letter addressed to the director at least 90 days before a regularly scheduled meeting of the commission.
2. Petitions to protest the adoption, amendment, or repeal of a regulation must be presented in writing in a letter addressed to the director at least 20 days before a regularly scheduled meeting of the commission.
3. Such a petition must contain or be accompanied by relevant data, views, and arguments. If a petition is for a new regulation or an amendment to an existing regulation, the petitioner shall also submit the proposed language.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVII § C subsecs. 1 & 2 + Rule XVII § D subsec. 1, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-14-90)

**NAC 284.834 Action on petitions to initiate adoption, amendment or repeal.** When a petition is submitted to initiate the adoption, amendment or repeal of a regulation pursuant to NAC 284.830, the department of personnel will, within 30 days, either deny the petition in writing, stating its reasons, or initiate procedures for the adoption, amendment or repeal of a regulation pursuant to NRS 233B.060. An oral hearing will be granted to any interested person who will be directly affected by the proposed regulation.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVII § C subsec. 3, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84; 8-14-90)



**NAC 284.838 Declaratory judgments.** If the petition is denied by the department of personnel and its decision is sustained by the commission, the petitioner may seek a declaratory judgment, pursuant to NRS 233B.110.

[Personnel Div., Rule XVII § C subsec. 4, eff. 8-11-73]—(NAC A by Dep't of Personnel, 10-26-84)

### **Hearings Before the Personnel Commission**

**NAC 284.850 Scope.** NAC 284.850 to 284.874, inclusive, govern hearings before the commission.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.854 Request for appeal and other communication.** A request for an appeal or other pertinent communication directed to the commission must be addressed to the director within 30 days after receipt of the director's decision.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.858 Time and place; notice; provision of reasonable accommodation to party with disability.**

1. The chairman of the commission will convene the hearing at the time and place specified for the purpose of hearing the appeal.
2. A written notice of the time and place of the hearing must be given to each party at least 10 days before the date of the hearing. The notice must contain the information required for a party to request reasonable accommodation.
3. The chairman shall provide reasonable accommodation to a party with a disability who requests such accommodation within the time sufficient to make the accommodation.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84; A 7-6-92)

**NAC 284.862 Hearings open to public.** Except as otherwise required or permitted by chapter 241 of NRS, all hearings are open to the public.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.866 Commencement of hearing.** At the beginning of the hearing, the chairman of the commission:

1. Shall state the subject of the hearing and identify the parties; and
2. May, with the agreement of the parties, read into or submit for the record items of preliminary or explanatory correspondence relevant to the subject of the hearing.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.870 Appearance and representation of party; manner of hearing.**

1. A party may appear in person or may be represented by an individual of his choice, or both appear and be represented.
2. The matter will be heard in the manner prescribed by the commission.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

**NAC 284.874 Decision of commission.** At the conclusion of the hearing, the commission may take the case under submission and will notify the parties in writing within 30 days after the date of the hearing of the commission's decision.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 10-26-84)

## USE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS

**NRS 284.406 states, “Policy concerning use of alcohol or drugs by state employees.** It is the policy of this state to ensure that its employees do not:

1. Report for work in an impaired condition resulting from the use of alcohol or drugs;
2. Consume alcohol while on duty; or
3. Unlawfully possess or consume any drugs while on duty, at a work site or on state property.”

**INFORMATIONAL NOTE:** Also see NRS 284.4061 through NRS 284.4068.

**NAC 284.880 Definitions.** As used in NAC 284.880 to 284.894, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “Employee” has the meaning ascribed to it in subsection 1 of NRS 284.4061.
2. “Screening test” has the meaning ascribed to it in subsection 2 of NRS 284.4061.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 12-26-91)

**NAC 284.882 Administration of screening tests. (NRS 284.407)** A screening test to detect the general presence of:

1. A controlled substance must comply with the standards and procedures established by the Department of Health and Human Services which are hereby adopted by reference. A copy of the standards and procedures is available, without charge, from the Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Division of Workplace, 5600 Fishers Lane, Parklawn Building, 13A-54, Rockville, Maryland 20857.
2. Alcohol by testing a person’s breath must be conducted by an operator certified in accordance with NAC 484.640 using a breath-testing device certified in accordance with NRS 484.3882 and NAC 484.660.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 12-26-91; A 10-27-97; R082-00, 8-2-2000)

**NAC 284.884 Maximum allowable concentrations of alcohol in blood or breath of employee; confirmation of positive result on screening test of breath. (NRS 284.155, 284.407)**

1. An employee must not have a concentration of alcohol in his blood or breath greater than .01 gram by weight of alcohol per 100 milliliters of his blood or per 210 liters of his breath while on duty. Disciplinary action may be taken by the appointing authority in accordance with the provisions of NAC 284.638 to 284.656, inclusive, if a screening test indicates that the concentration of alcohol in the blood or breath of the employee is greater than .01 gram by weight of alcohol per 100 milliliters of his blood or per 210 liters of his breath while on duty.
2. A positive result on a screening test of a person’s breath must be confirmed by a second screening test. The second screening test must be conducted immediately after receipt of the positive result of the first screening test.

(Added to NAC by Dep’t of Personnel, eff. 12-26-91; A by R058-01, 9-6-2001)

**NAC 284.886 Screening test for controlled substance required of applicant for position affecting public safety; exception.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, an applicant for a position that is designated by the personnel commission as affecting public safety must submit to a screening test to detect the general presence of a controlled substance unless he is employed by the state in a position that is also designated as affecting public safety at the time he applies.
2. A person who has been laid off from a position affecting public safety and who is reemployed in a class affecting public safety within 1 year after the date he was laid off is not required to submit to a screening test pursuant to this section.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 12-26-91; A 3-23-94)

**NAC 284.888 Request for employee to submit to screening test: Interpretation of grounds; completion of required form.**

1. Objective facts upon which an appointing authority may base a reasonable belief that an employee is under the influence of alcohol or drugs which impair the ability of the employee to perform his duties safely and efficiently include, but are not limited to:
  - (a) The operation of a motor vehicle by the employee in any manner that causes bodily harm;
  - (b) Abnormal conduct or erratic behavior by the employee that is not otherwise normally explainable;
  - (c) The odor of the breath of the employee and a decline in job performance that is not otherwise normally explainable;
  - (d) Observation of the employee consuming alcohol and a resulting decline in job performance that is not otherwise normally explainable; or
  - (e) Observation of the employee possessing a controlled substance or using a controlled substance that is reported by a credible source.
2. Pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 284.4065, "substantial damage to property" includes, but is not limited to:
  - (a) The operation of a motor vehicle in such a manner as to cause more than \$2,500 worth of property damage; or
  - (b) The operation of a motor vehicle in such a manner as to cause two property accidents within a 1-year period.
3. Before requiring an employee to submit to a screening test, a supervisor must complete a form provided by the department of personnel.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 12-26-91)

**NAC 284.890 Transportation of employee to and from location of screening test.** If an employee is required to submit to a screening test, the appointing authority shall provide transportation for the employee to the location of the test. After the employee submits to the screening test, the appointing authority shall provide transportation for the employee to his home.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 12-26-91)

**NAC 284.892 Duties of employee who is referred to employee assistance program.**

1. If an employee is referred to an employee assistance program as a result of a positive result on a screening test or pursuant to NAC 284.653, he shall provide to the appointing authority:

- (a) Evidence of his consultation with a counselor employed by an employee assistance program; and
  - (b) Any recommendation of the counselor with respect to his rehabilitation, within 5 working days after the date of the initial consultation.
- 2. The employee shall provide to the appointing authority on a monthly basis all recommendations of the counselor with respect to his rehabilitation.
- 3. The employee shall provide to the appointing authority evidence of his completion of any rehabilitation program recommended by the counselor within 5 working days after his completion of the program.
- 4. An employee who fails to provide evidence of his consultation with a counselor or successful completion of a rehabilitation program is subject to disciplinary action.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 12-26-91; A 11-12-93)

**NAC 284.894 Treatment of applicant who tests positive; treatment of employee who twice tests positive within period of 5 years.**

- 1. An applicant who tests positive for the use of a controlled substance must not be considered by an appointing authority for employment in any position which requires such testing until:
  - (a) One year has passed from the time of the positive test; or
  - (b) The applicant provides evidence that he has successfully completed a rehabilitation program for substance abuse.
- 2. An employee who tests positive for the use of a controlled substance or alcohol for the second time within a 5-year period is subject to disciplinary action by the appointing authority and may be terminated at the discretion of the appointing authority.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Personnel, eff. 12-26-91; A 7-1-94)

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**APPENDIX**  
**FORMS AVAILABLE THROUGH**  
**THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL**

<b>FORM NO.</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>REVISION DATE</b>	<b>EXPLANATION</b>	<b>DIV./ SEC.</b>
<b>RECRUITMENT/EXAMINATION/EMPLOYMENT</b>				
NPD-3	Personnel Requisition	February 2002	This is used to request an eligible list or to open a recruitment for a position.	FS*
NPD-1	Employment Application	June 2002	This is used to apply for employment with the State.	FS*
FS-09	Request for Transfer	June 2001	This is used by an employee to request placement on a transfer list for employment in another agency or department.	FS*
ADA-1	Essential Functions Job Analysis	August 2001	This is used to identify the essential duties of a position prior to the hiring interview process.	TS*
ADA-3	Essential Functions	September 1996	Duties identified as essential functions are listed on this form. It is provided to candidates interviewed for vacant positions.	TS*
ADA-4	ADA, FMLA, Workers' Compensation Analysis	April 2001	This form may be used to assist in determining if a person is a qualified individual under the ADA, FMLA or Workers' Compensation laws.	TS*
<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>				
NPD-19S	New Position Description	August 1994	This can be used to establish select journey level positions.	FS
NPD-19	Position Questionnaire	March 1999	This is used to establish new positions and request reclassification of existing positions.	FS*
<b>COMPENSATION</b>				
NPD-4	Request to Accelerate Salary	June 2001	This is used to request an adjustment of steps within the grade.	FS
NPD-5	Request for Temporary Adjustment to Salary	June 2001	This is used to request a salary adjustment pursuant to NAC 284.206.	FS
TS-25	Election of Compensatory Time	November 1995	This is used to document an agreement between an agency and a non-represented employee to receive compensatory time in lieu of cash payment for overtime.	TS*
TS-78	Request for Variable Workday Schedule	April 2000	This is used by an employee to request approval for a variable workday schedule.	TS*
TS-78A	Request for Variable 80-Hour Work Schedule	April 2000	This is used by an employee to request approval for a variable 80-hour work schedule.	TS*
<b>PERFORMANCE REPORTS</b>				

FORM NO.	TITLE	REVISION DATE	EXPLANATION	DIV./ SEC.
NPD-15	Employee Appraisal and Development Form	August 2001	This is used to document an employee's performance evaluation.	TS*
<b>TRAINING</b>				
TR-17	Training Request Form	May 2001	This is used to request training from the Department of Personnel's Training and Development Section.	T*
<b>ATTENDANCE AND LEAVES</b>				
NPD-60	Request for FMLA Leave	December 2000	This is used to request family and/or medical leave.	TS*
NPD-61	Certification of Health Care Provider	November 2000	This is used, where applicable, to document the medical necessity for family and/or medical leave.	TS*
NPD-62	Employer Response to Employee Request for Family or Medical Leave	November 2000	This is used to notify the employee of his obligations and the effects of using family and/or medical leave.	TS*
NPD-25	Notice of Intent to Donate Leave; Request to Transfer Leave; Notice of Return of Excess Donated Leave	January 1994	These forms are used to process donations of annual or sick leave to a catastrophic leave account.	P
TS-12	Voluntary Leave Without Pay Authorized Pursuant to NAC 284.580	December 1995	Voluntary leave without pay during fiscal emergency.	TS*
<b>GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE</b>				
NPD-50	Formal Grievance	November 1995	This form is to be used for filing a formal grievance by an employee.	TS*
NPD-51	Response to Formal Grievance	November 1995	This form is to be completed by the person responding to the grievance and attached as the top copy to the Formal Grievance at each step in the grievance procedure.	TS*
<b>DISCIPLINARY ACTION</b>				
NPD-52	Written Reprimand	September 1995	This form is used for written reprimands which are placed in the employee's service jacket.	TS*
NPD-41	Specificity of Charges	December 1995	This form is used in the disciplinary process to advise an employee of an alleged violation and recommended action.	TS*



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<b>SEPARATIONS FROM SERVICE</b>				
NPD-42	Recommendation of Separation Pursuant to NAC 284.611	December 1995	This is used to notify an employee of a recommendation for separation from service due to a physical, mental or emotional disorder pursuant to NAC 284.611.	TS*
<b>HEARINGS BEFORE THE HEARING OFFICER</b>				
NPD-53	Request for Hearing Under the Provisions of NRS 281.641	April 1999	This is used by an employee to file an appeal of an alleged reprisal or retaliatory action for disclosure of improper governmental action.	AS*
<b>USE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS</b>				
TS-58	Policy Statement - Alcohol/ Drug Free Workplace and Acknowledgment	July 1998	This is used to advise an employee of the State's policy regarding maintenance of an alcohol/drug free workplace.	TS*
TS-77	Report form for Suspected Alcohol/ Drug Impairment	July 1997	This is used by a supervisor to document the objective facts giving reasonable belief that the employee was under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance.	TS*
TS-76	Alcohol/Drug Test Consent Form	November 2000	This form is used to obtain the consent of an applicant/employee for alcohol/drug testing.	TS*
TS-69	Employee Breath Test for Alcohol	November 2000	This is used to record the results of a breath test for alcohol.	TS*
<b>PAYROLL/RECORDS</b>				
ESMT-A	Employment Status Maintenance Transaction	June 1999	These forms are used to establish an employee in the payroll/human resource system and document any subsequent personnel/payroll actions.	R*
ESMT-B	Employment Personal Information	September 2001		
CPER/ PPER	Weekly Time Sheet		The time sheet is used to account for hours worked, leave used, and the specific times at which the work shift begins and ends during a pay period. The time sheet may be used to account for the current pay period or a prior pay period.	P*
0-752	Special Pay/Time Adjustment Sheet		This is used to document adjustments to leave or pay.	P*
---	Special Pay Worksheet		This form is submitted with a Special Pay/Time Adjustment Sheet to process a retroactive increase due to a merit salary increase, promotion or reclassification. It is also used to process the "buy back" of leave in conjunction with workers' compensation payments.	P

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PAY-20	Payroll System Cost Distribution File Maintenance	September 1997	This is used to document the distribution of payroll costs for a position.	P
PAY-70	Batch Control Sheet		This is attached to batches of time sheets prior to submission to Central Payroll.	P*
LEAV	Leave Accrual Adjusting Form		This form is used to establish, adjust or delete leave balances in the payroll system.	P*
0-792	Signature Authorization Form	---	This is used to document those who are authorized signers for document preparation/approval.	P
PAY-07	Authorization for Payroll Check Pick Up	October 1998	This is used to document those authorized to pick up payroll checks or hand-typed checks.	P*
0-2277	Authorization Agreement for Direct Deposit of Net Wages	March 2002	This is used by an employee to authorize the direct deposit of wages to a financial institution.	P
SBD-2003	Authorization for Purchase and Request for Change - U.S. Series EE Savings Bonds	---	This is used by an employee to authorize an allotment from pay for the purchase of a U.S. Savings Bond.	P
W-5 (IRS)	Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate	---	This is used if an eligible employee chooses to get part of the earned income credit in advance with his pay.	R*
W-4 (IRS)	Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate	---	This is used by an employee to notify the State of the amount of federal income tax to be withheld from his pay.	R*

These forms may be obtained by contacting the Department of Personnel division indicated by the code listed below. In addition, those forms designated with an "\*" may be obtained on our website at [www.state.nv.us/personnel/](http://www.state.nv.us/personnel/).

FS - Field Services	P - Central Payroll
TS - Technical Services	R - Central Records
AS - Administrative Services	T - Training

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